THE RANDOM VESSEL DIOTIMA

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나머 준 함장을 만나기 위해 우주 스테이션 디오티마를 방문하는 헥시틸린 사의 아서 맥스웰 회장. 그리고 나머 준 함장과 지니어스 형제는 어떻게 얽혀있는 것일까…? 그들이 공유하고 있는 비밀은…

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뽑으로
Heh ~

삐익
두근
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푸드덕
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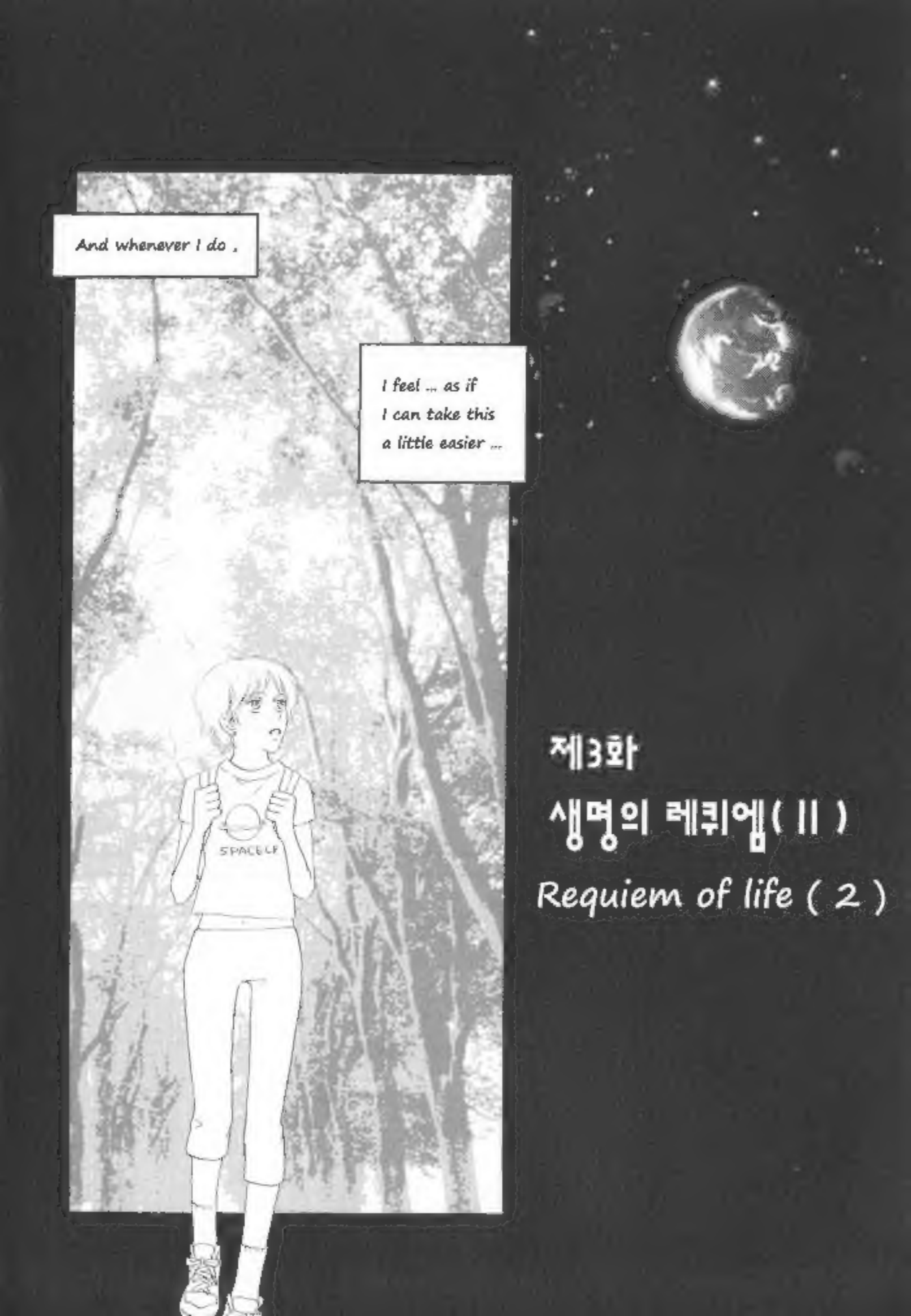
두근
두근

Sally !
두근
두근
깨
깨
What are you doing ?
Let's go !
We were looking for you. You shouldn't leave the group.
Sorry.
Let's go.
깨

I recall that
memory ...



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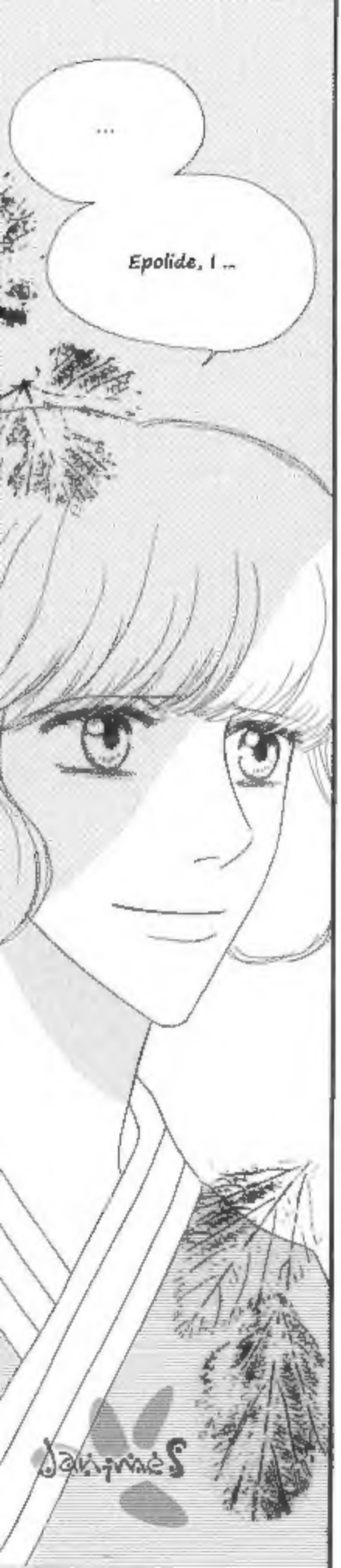
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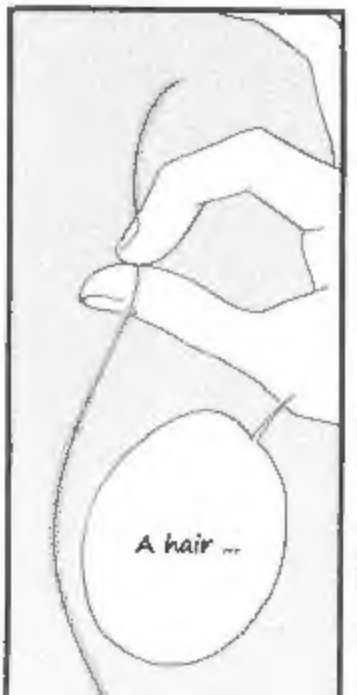
Epolide, I ...

I want to stay here.
Huh ?

I don't want to go back to Moon ...

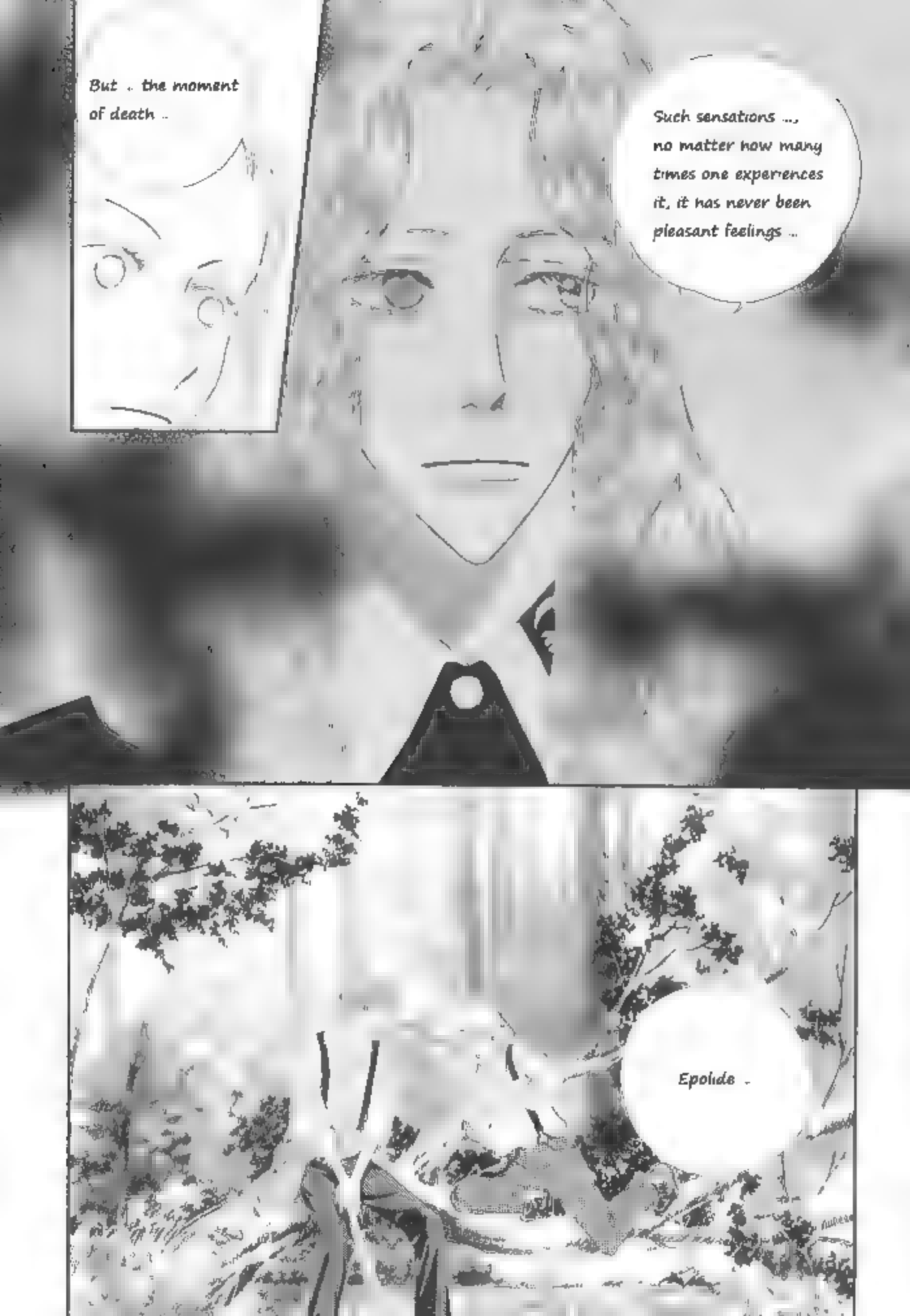
You mean you want to receive treatments from here ?
Yeah ...
Uh !


A hair ...

Its color and length ...
Is Alex here, too ?
...

She came here on her own.
I didn't even know she was here !
I did not bring her here !
Alex .., she makes me very tired.
No
That ..
I fully agree.
I will do something to make her go back somehow...
Anyway, Diotima is not a good place to receive proper treatments..
Their medical equipments are mainly for emergencies...
Epolide !
Please ..
Let me be here

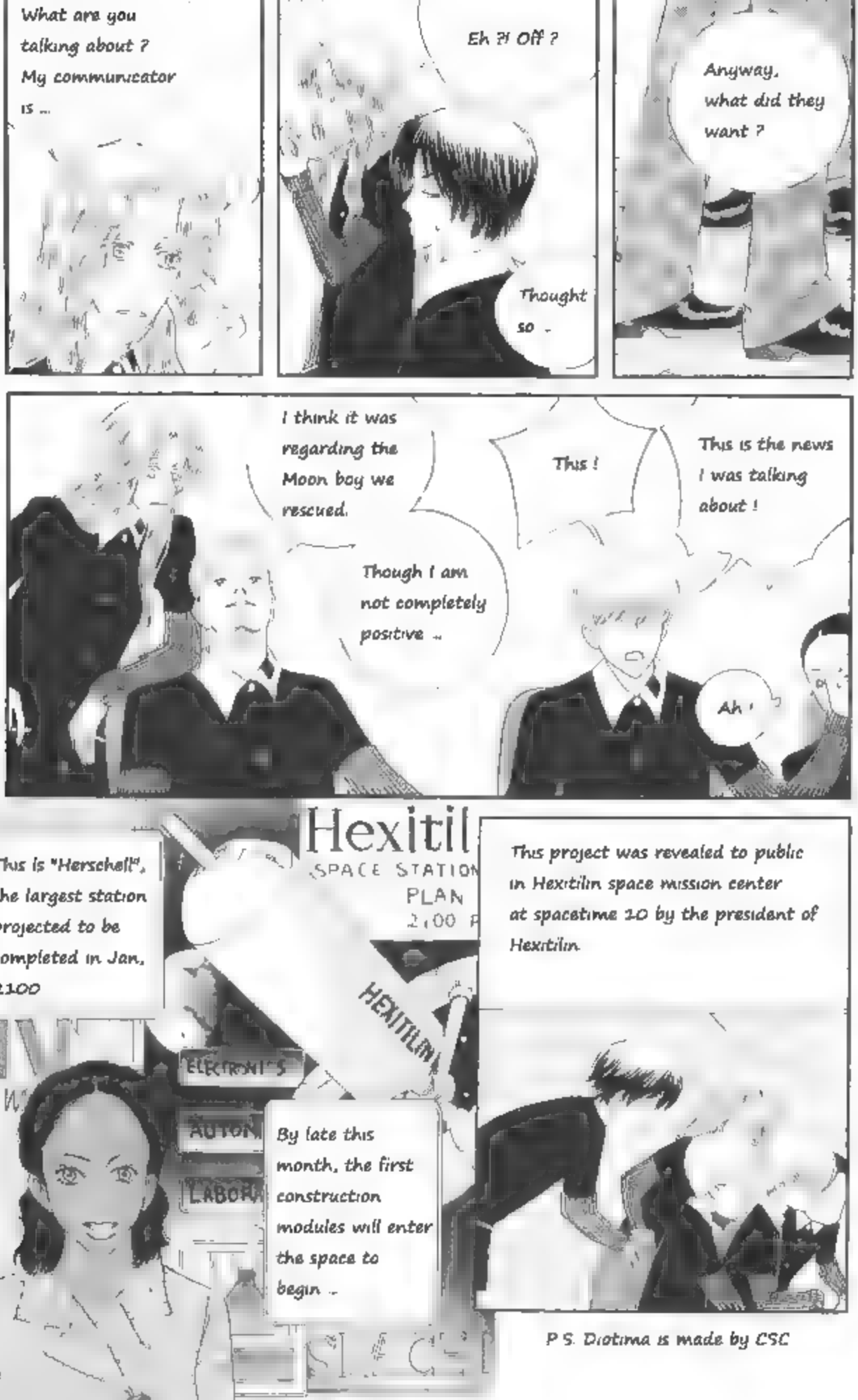
Sally .., don't tell me she was going to get herself killed ?
Who knows.. Why are you asking me ?
Can't be .
If I were her .
I have no idea !
How would I know what a dying woman is thinking ?
True.


But . the moment of death ..
Such sensations ..., no matter how many times one experences it, it has never been pleasant feelings ..
Epolide .

My hometown was on east side of Mississippi river
What a nice environment you grew in.
Not really -
I visited the river only once.
I was a child and was in a summer camp.
I just had a small chance to be there when my group happened to walk by the river
... !
Sally, you ...

Did you
Want to go back to your hometown ?
I guess so .
Yes.
If I could go back to my hometown, that's be fine, too
Why didn't you just tell me ! If you did ...
If I did, it would only burden you since it would be impossible.
Taking a space cancer patient to Earth is illegal.
But I am not expecting something that much
That is ... because space cancer patients die so fast on Earth ...
I just

want to go back to Earth
I know
Even if I am dropped in middle of a desert
Docking granted at #5 module.
CSC
Captain !
Where have you been ? We couldn't contact you.
Cosmo police has been trying to contact you.
Hm? Me ?
I had a meal in low gravity area.


What are you talking about ? My communicator is ...
Eh ?! Off ?
Thought so .
Anyway, what did they want ?
I think it was regarding the Moon boy we rescued.
Though I am not completely positive ...
This !
This is the news I was talking about !
Ah !
This is "Herschell", the largest station projected to be completed in Jan, 2100
SPACE STATION
PLAN
HEXITILIN
ELECTRONICS
AUTON
LABOR
By late this month, the first construction modules will enter the space to begin ..
This project was revealed to public in Hexitilin space mission center at spacetime 10 by the president of Hexitilin.

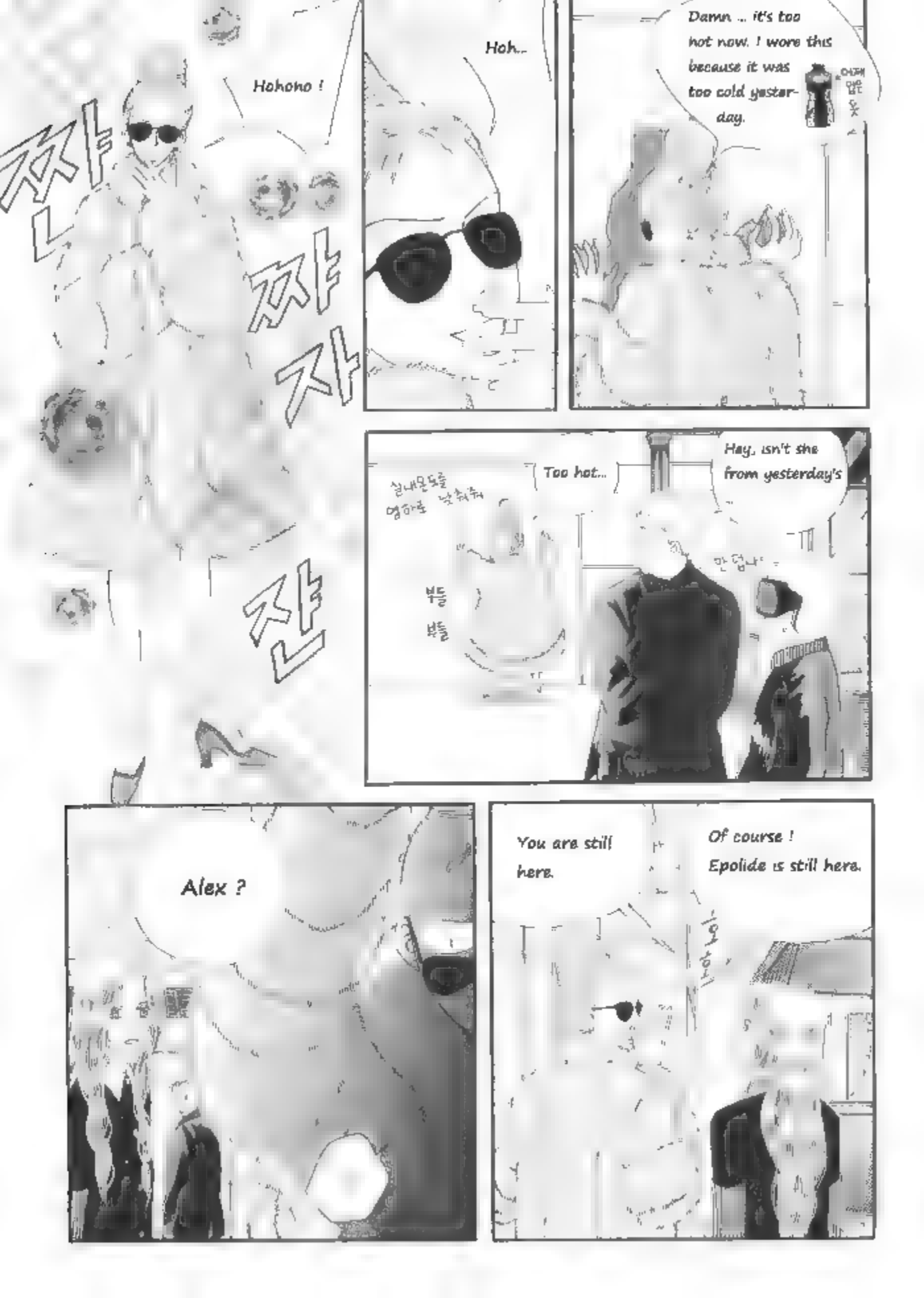
P.S. Diotima is made by CSC

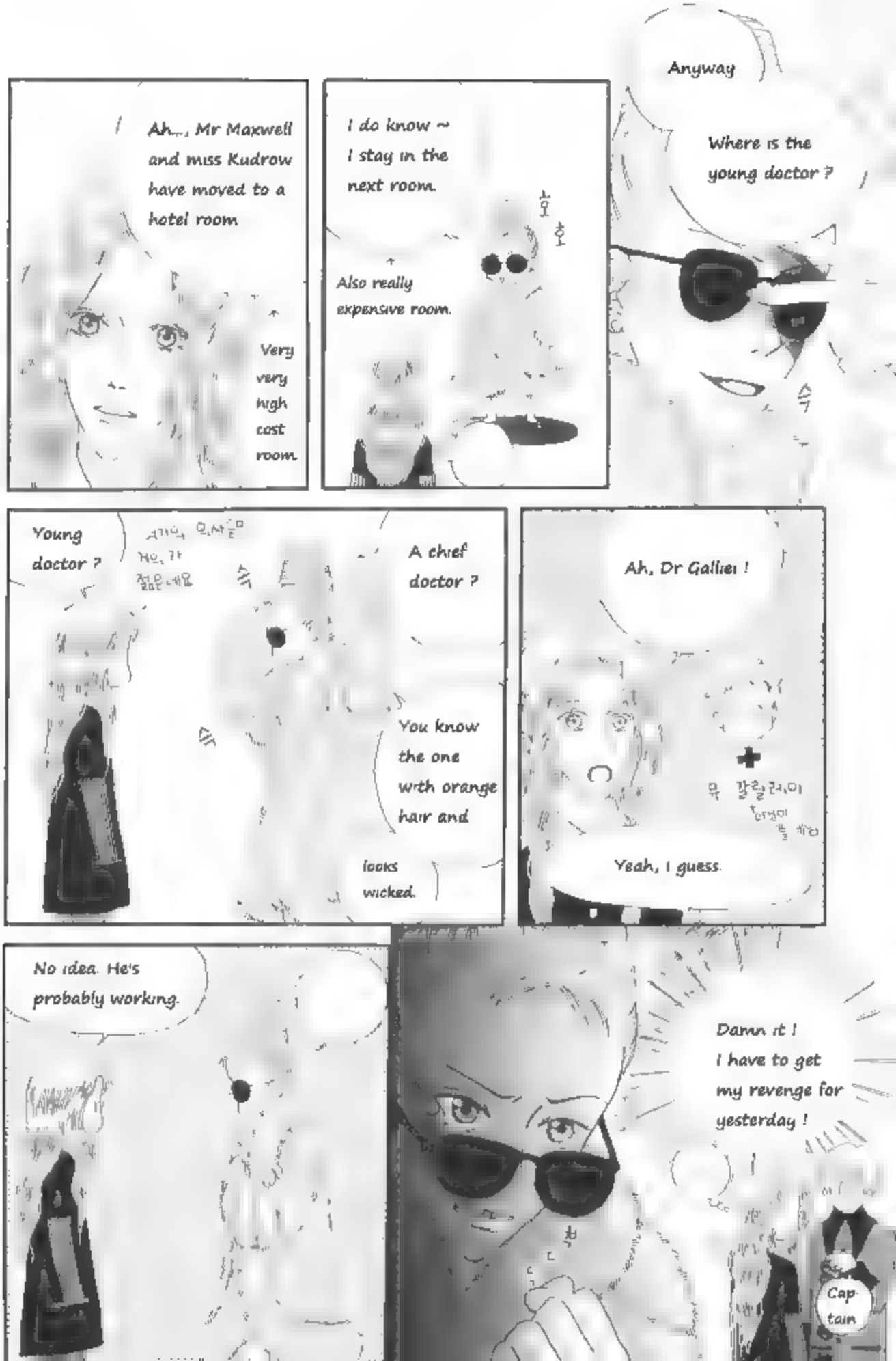
It looks exactly like Diotima. Copyright infringement.
Copyright infringement ?
It's 2km too !
Maybe not, then it's a parody ?
Now, Parody ??
Why do they always copy CSC ?
It does look more efficent as well
But Diotima's color is better
I know Diotima is prettier
Yep.
Still ..
Would something like that effect us greatly ?

Their purpose is exactly the same as ours and theirs is designed to carry even more.
Not to mention it will have newer equipments.
It's 2100. There is still 8 years left.
By that time, space travels will be much more common.
In fact, I am glad that they are making more.
We are already being overloaded with works.
That's true. We've been receiving enormous amounts of calls.
I had no idea that there were so many accidents in space.
How did they handle, I wonder
I heard low gravity area sick bay is full ?
It's not that bad yet

I was told that CSC is going to send more doctors and nurses by early next month.
If they don't, our doctors and nurses will collapse soon.
Compared to them, our workload is much better
I am glad to have applied for this job.
What are you talking about? By end of this week, nuclear radiation test will be done.
And our workload will likely double !
Imagine all those nuclear waste freighters docking.
Argh !
He's anyoying this ...

Phase two, begin –
Orbiter docker initiated.
Rotate the cargo bay by 90 degree back wards.
WO6 and EX 72 are away
Please do not perform any space tasks by module #12.
Returning to green light
Phase 6, begin –
Hmph, this place is as busy as usual.


Hohoho !
Hoh..
Damn .. it's too hot now. I wore this because it was too cold yesterday.
Too hot...
Hey, isn't she from yesterday's
Alex ?
You are still here.
Of course ! Epolide is still here.


Ah..., Mr Maxwell and miss Kudrow have moved to a hotel room
Very very high cost room.
I do know ~ I stay in the next room.
Also really expensive room.
Anyway
Where is the young doctor ?
Young doctor ?
A chief doctor ?
You know the one with orange hair and
looks wicked.
Ah, Dr Gallei !
Yeah, I guess.
No idea. He's probably working.
Damn it ! I have to get my revenge for yesterday !
Cap tain

Ohh, that .. !
The perfect type for me ! I don't like the fact that he is a police though.
Still cool.
I see. Tomorrow, we will ..
Oh !
Hello ~
Captain, who is this gentleman ?
Hello, I am lieutenant Lindgren of Cosmo police.
Eh .., Alex, this is ..

Wait !
His voice
You are the lady who made a huge dent in the #7 docking module, right ?
The voice is a bit husky, but ..
Haha, please slow down when you are docking.
It's a girl, god damn !
I am not gonna make out with a girl ..
She thought Lindgren was a guy .. I can tell ..
R R R
Phew ..
He turned a hotel room into a medical room. Indeed rich, he is.
Please come in, admin.
끼익

Hello, admin.
Sally ..?
I apologize for
kept calling you

You changed your wig.
Ah, this ...
I was going to wear just a hat, but Epolide said
No !
Women gain power from beauty.
If you make yourself look like a sick person,
Your mind will get sicker first.
"Listen Diotima, when a woman arms herself with beauty, she becomes powerful."
Like his mother ..., he spoke literally the same line.
Delicate, you are, mr Maxwell.

This ... is pretty amazing.
It's Epolide's doing.
From where ?
I told him about my hometown once and he brought this.
From Hextilin main library.
I will leave you two alone.
Please have a seat
click

How are you feeling ?
So so
It's not so bad
Though it's not great, either
I guess I will be like this until my last day.
"Miss Kudrow's condition isn't that bad"가요.
She will not get better, but she won't get worse, either
That is how space cancer is.

The latest medical technology ... it doesn't really save people but it makes their death truly painless.
The latest morphine treatment has reached a level of master
Though we don't actually inject morphine.
I would be lying if I said I didn't care that Diotima's first patient was a space cancer patient.
Admin.
Yes ?
Would you hear me out ?
Jaki

Why I am trying to go to Earth .
Yes.
I felt that you wouldn't laugh at me.
Why would anyone laugh at you for that ?
Because it has nothing to do with my condition.
I fear they will say I am worrying about nothing.

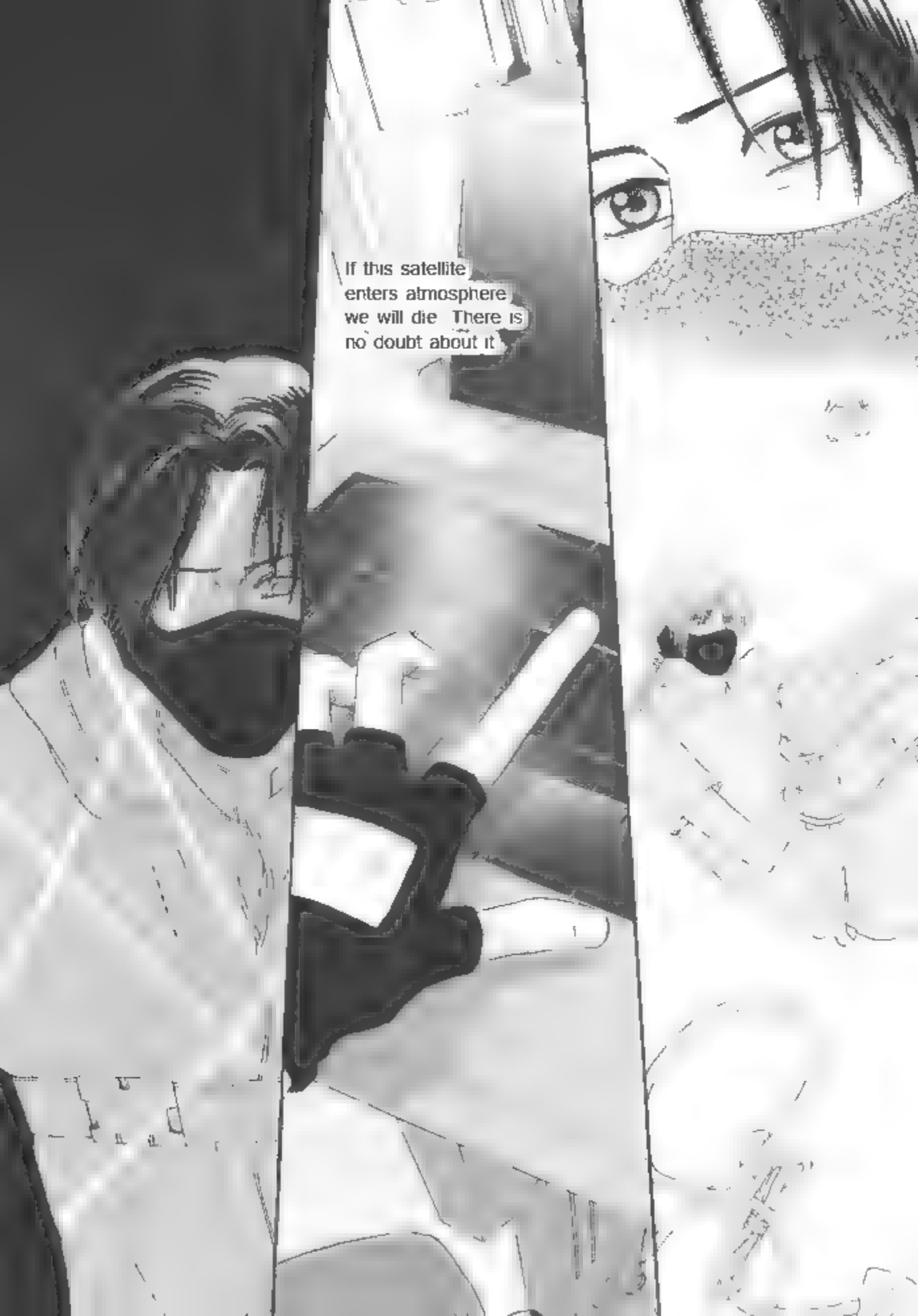
This ... image is well made.
Yes..., it is really detailed.
I feel like I am back on Earth.
Though it seems a little too good to be true.
Yes..., too good to be true ... In other words, it's a fake.
Thus image made me realize even further...
what I am fearing.
And why I am trying to go to Earth desperately !

I know
I know what you are fearing, Sally.
For I've felt this previously.

HEXIT
Diotima !
Diotima !
The radiator is out of control ! Air purifier is done for also !
타다

What about thrusters and backup engine?
They are still alive.
Alright, Louis is in his spacesuit, right ?
First of all, get some fresh air from this. Then, completely cut off backup from main !
Yes.
I've just separated the fuel tank which may explode at any moment. OMS boots but does not work. Nitrogen in pressurized cabin has dropped by 0.5%
This is happening too fast !
At this rate, this satellite will leave orbit and head to space !
Pressurized cabin is broken, so 10 hours max left for us.

Suka, initiate RCS and reduce speed !
Not possible to exepct rescue in 10 hours and not possible to enter atmosphere.
If we activate the main engine careless now, it may cause this entire satellite to explode
This is This is really the worst case scenario
But
If there is really no other choice but to die 라면
I'd rather die on Earth !


If this satellite enters atmosphere we will die There is no doubt about it

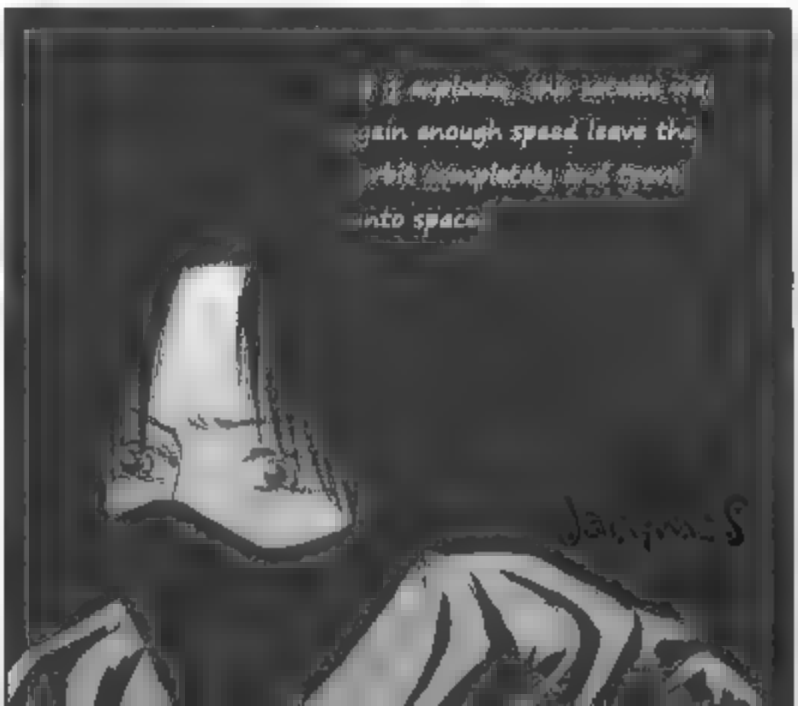
What if the satellite enters space instead? Will we survive?
Nitrogen is leaking
And pressure will be lower and lower
If we do wear our spacesuits we will survive for 10 hours maximum
Will be rescued in that 10 hours
I'd say less than 10 % ?
It is not that low percentage by any means.
If life is depended on it, 10% is high enough to gamble
If I can put this satellite back to the Lagrangian point
It is very much likely that the engine will explode during the attempt
But if it can go back to the orbit

If it can go back to the orbit ...,
we will likely be rescued within 10 hours ...

For survival ..,
it sounds very tempting ..

But what if it fails ?

What if the engine explodes as it initiates ? 난?


gain enough speed leave the
into space

If this is simply about life and death,
I would gamble even on 1% of survival chance
Probably
But I can't afford to gamble in this case
Drotima !
It is done !
RCS is working fine also.
Sorry, Suka ..
This is your first space experience and this happens.

Why are you apologizing ?
This accident had nothing to do with you. it wasn't your fault
It's a small chance, but you may survive
You may have a chance to survive
You think so ?
But I chose a solution which will get you killed.
Now, let's cheer up and do this !
It literally means I gave up trying to save you two
Give me next orders, captain !

To be able to die on Earth
Sure.
Admin Joon -
You know ...?
This feeling ?

If I am correct
You are afraid of dying -
In some other place than Earth, no ?
... You do know ..

Solar energy ...
It comes from Sun and goes into the space .
And it somehow goes back to Sun
Some claim that the universe is just a large recycling center
Earth is no exception.
Last year ..
I had a chance to take on a ferry from a Tao Moon base and watch the universe .
A ferry from Tau base ? You mean the history ferry, right ?
Didn't the service stop after only two ferries ?
Yes, it was for safety. It turned out that the ferry's window failed to block many harmful rays.
Epolide and I were one of the first customers.

It was for tutorist attractions. It had to have windows, and
watching the universe in spacesuits wasn't a pleasing idea.
Very true.
Anyway, when I saw the universe for the first time with my eyes
I was deeply moved. Those stars were so - pretty

I was very much glad to be alive to be able to see such.

I really did.

but ..

Something was missing.

It was such a beautiful scene.

But something was missing.

As if

Yes ..

Like this well made fake ..

There is a forest in my memory.

Trees in the forest were alive.

Birds were alive

Vivd green mosses, mush-rooms... grasses ..

those little annoying insects that would not stop bugging me around my ears

Lives .
Lives ...
Lives ...

No matter how realistic this may be ... it has no way to expressing such lives.
Birth and death ...
Those have to be there.

My life has to end in there ..., in the cycle.
There are invisible rules in the cycle -
Birth and death are only natural in the cycle -
I would like to die where the rules are there.
Jakyme's

Even in the deepest part of sea
and extremely harsh desert
There are cycle of life even in such places ...
The space is unyielding ...
I would like not to die in a place where only fates of stars are permitted.
I want to return to Earth ...
I would like to return to the ground where I was born.

I want to return to
the cycle of life

Alex .. ?
Epolida.
What are you doing here ?
Why are you not with Sally ?
When are you leaving ?
Sally wants to stay here.

What ?
What the hell is the matter with her ?
I don't know.

I am leavng here today.
Stay here as long as you want and return
Nah, don't.
If you need my help, just give me a call instead.
I will be right there ~
When I realized I had this cancer,
from that very moment, I thought I must go to Earth.

But space cancer patients are forbidden to enter Earth.
My health insurance card has the records, so there was no legal way for me to enter Earth.
I see.
It was hard for me to train for 1g secretly from everyone
Have you ever discussed this with Epolide ?
How.
How could I ever discuss this with him ?!
He wants to be with me as long as possible.
That's because I have little days to live.
But I. this stupid me.

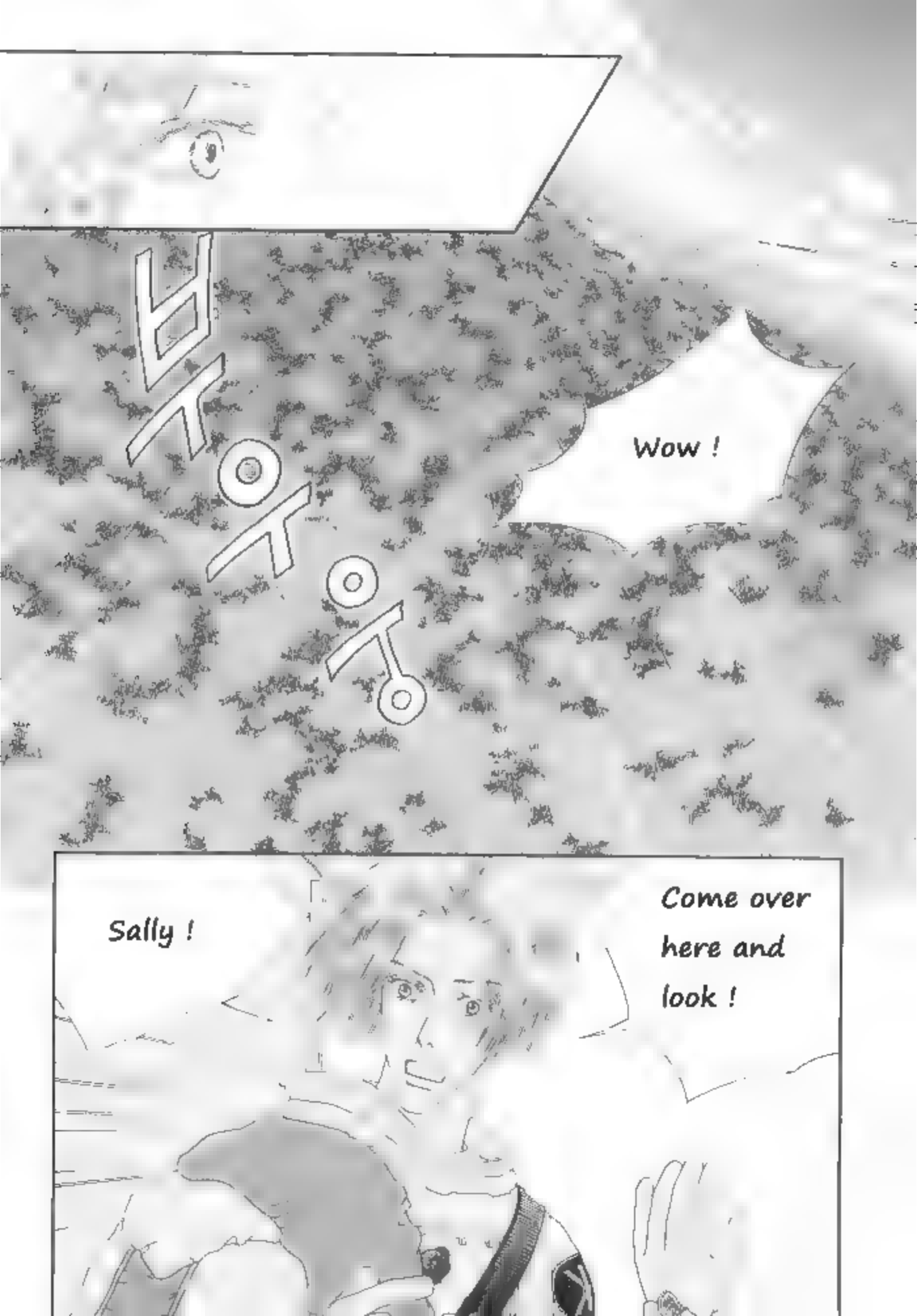
I chose Earth over him !
Would I tell him that I chose Earth over him ?
To someone who wants to see me alive as long as possible ?!
If -
If I do say it to him, he would -
But you are afraid

You are so afraid that ...
You are relying on someone other than him to make this happen.
Sally ...
Stop trying not to hurt Epolide ...
Yes, if he does send you to Earth ...
Since that is illegal, he may be affected
Even so, tell him you what you really want.

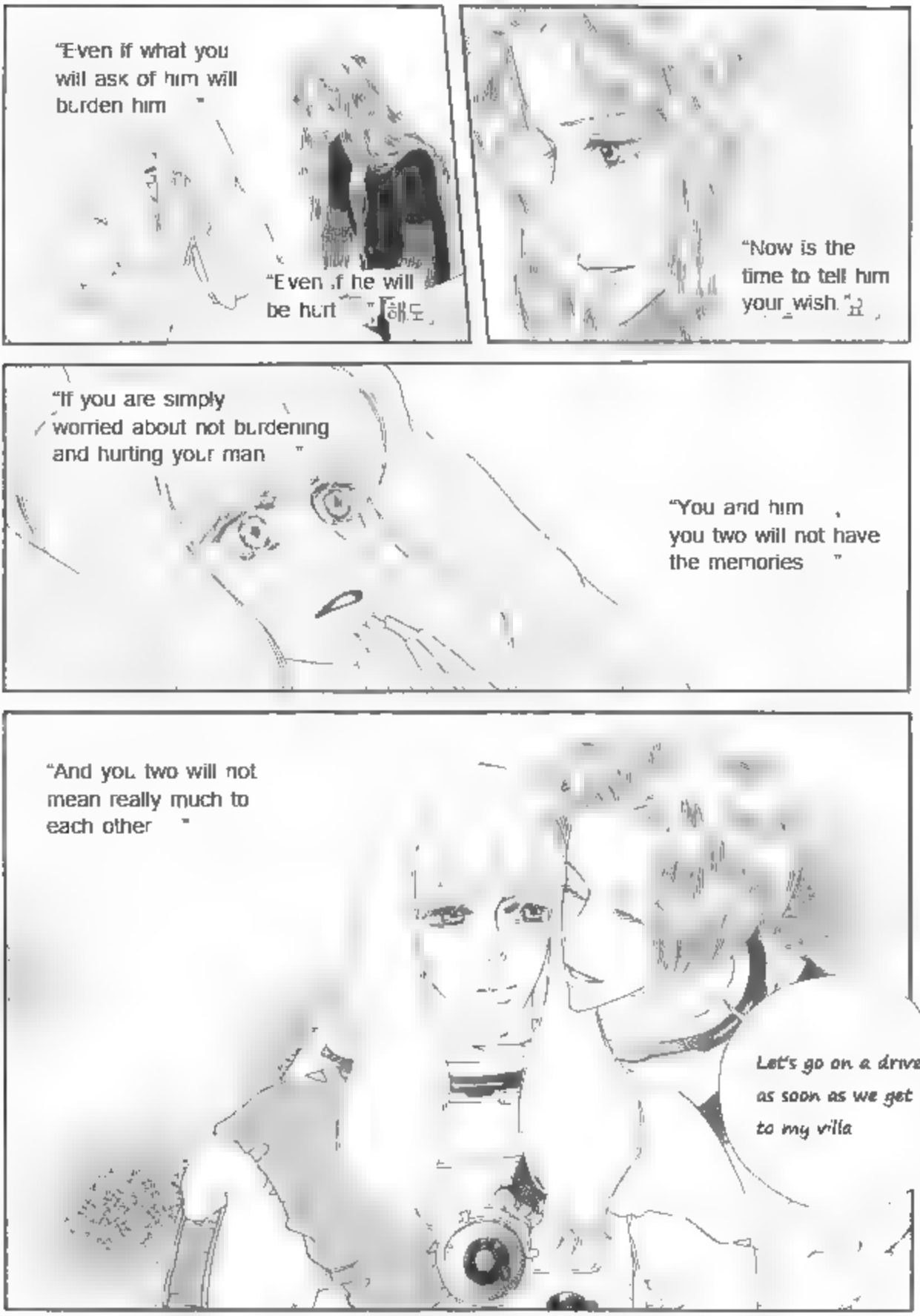
Even if that would ultimately hurt him ..
트르륵
Argh ~ !
This vacation schedule is wrong !
Toroshi and Tom, your vacations starts on the same day.
Either of you has to postpone.
Not me.

15 days ...
3 or 4 days would be doable, but this is...
Yeah, this place can't run properly with two gone for half a month.
One of you back off
Toroshi, why don't you?
No ! I have plans
Jion, when is yours ?
It's in july ..
Captain, please don't do that sort of thing !
How was this error made ? Wasn't it generated by a computer ?
Uh?
Two different rosters were loaded together
Captain - !
Please look !
A space vessel crushed while trying to land on Moon

A Hexitlin vessel malfunctioned !
Epolide Kan Maxwell escaped successfully.
His wounds are light, but his fiancee, Sally Kudrow is missing.
After analyzing ship debris, it appears a virus caused the ship's main computer to malfunction ...
Recently, there have been many cases of accidents caused by personal space ships ..
Um..., Kudrow ? Wasn't she the one we rescued a month ago ?
Missing . That is the same as saying "dead"
Too bad.
She was going to die soon though.


Wow !
Sally !
Come over here and look !

Eh?
We are here already ?
!
Right !
We are here !
That is Mississipp region !
Hey, don't you wander around !
저것들이 엄청지르고 있어 ㅎ
Go sit down and swear seat belts !
"Sally"
Hey, let us watch.
"Say to Epolide what you really want."


"Even if what you will ask of him will burden him "
"Even if he will be hurt "
"Now is the time to tell him your wish."
"If you are simply worried about not burdening and hurting your man "
"You and him , you two will not have the memories "
"And you two will not mean really much to each other "
Let's go on a drive as soon as we get to my villa

So, I told him ...

"Take me home ... "

So ..
Beautiful ..
It's been 3 years since I saw the real sky
Grrrr, they are enjoying the mood
I spent 20 days for gravity training ... just to help that jerk out ..
And I am not even here to them ..

AH, REALLY !
I wonder why I got myself involved in this !
Thank you, Alex ..
Hmph !
I did not do this for you !
Epolide begged me literally, so I couldn't refuse !
What ?! It was you who told me to call if I needed you !
Yeah, fine with that but you got me involved in a crime !
Shut up I will get you the best lawyer
Haha ..

Eh -
Captain talked to Sally several times no ?
Her death..., I guess it might be a bit hard to take.
And she was one of those who we rescued for the first time

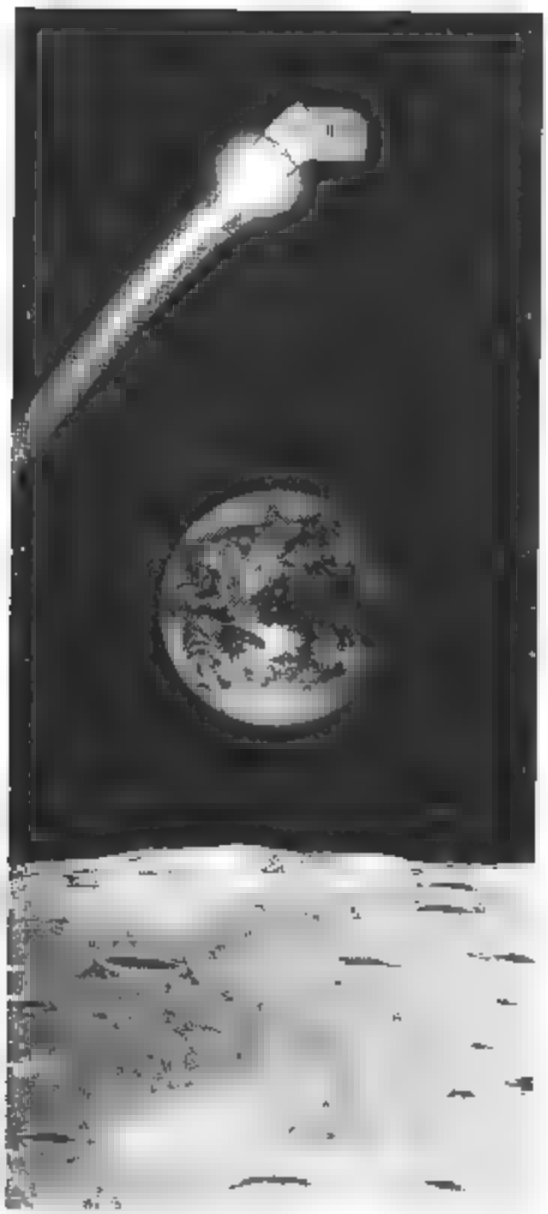
Are you alright ?
I was shocked ... You suddenly became pale -
I am fine ...

Besides.. ,
I am really
happy right
now ..
I ..
I hear a song ..
It's .. like requiem ..
Sally !
But this is ..
no ordinary requiem ..
This requiem ..
can only be heard
on Earth ..

Jakiyme's

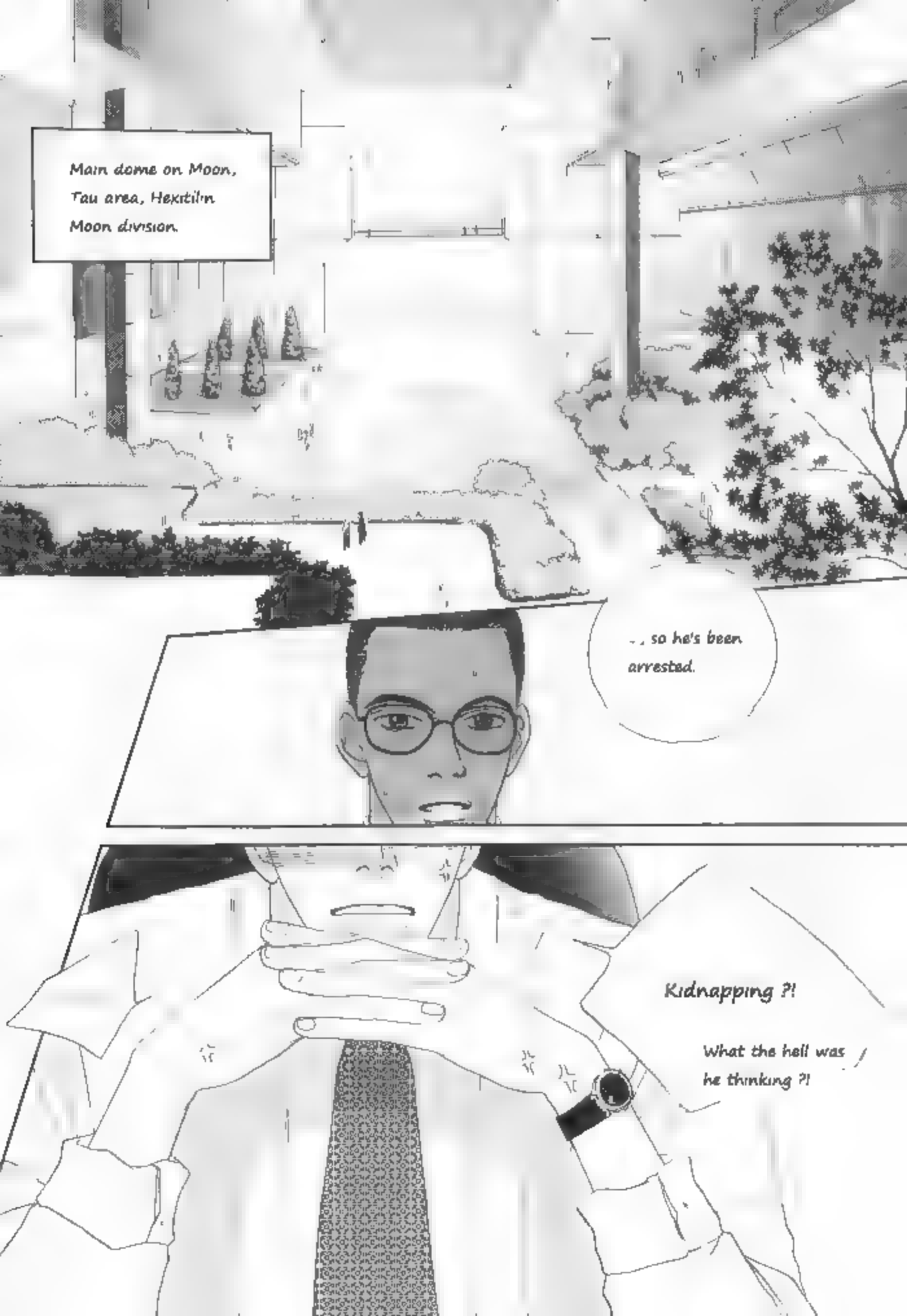
The Requiem of Life.

This concludes Sally's episode.



제4화 영혼감별사(II)

Soul identifier


Main dome on Moon,
Tau area, Hexitilin
Moon division.
.., so he's been
arrested.
Kidnapping ?!
What the hell was
he thinking ?!

And it was an underaged boy !
What was he trying to do when he planned to take the boy to Earth?
According to his lawyer ...
He was going to take the boy to B-7 in orbit
And he is insisting that it was not an act of kidnapping.
SO !
Why was he trying to take the boy to Earth ?
Eh -
He said that the boy could read into souls ...

Read ... into souls ?
Yes, he said the boy was a soul identifier ... or something.
He insisted that he was going to research the boy's ability
His lawyer has requested him to go through a mental checkup.
Fortunately, he has a record of mental health problems
And where is the boy now ?
Currently, Cosmo police has custody of the kid.
Still ?
The boy has no guardian, so the police is holding him.

But I've been told that he will be moved to Diotima tomorrow.
Diotima ?!
The Administrator Joon of the station has applied for a temporary guardian ship of the boy.
Joon ?!
Yes, the administrator goes by a name of Namer Joon. It's a she. Do you know her ?
No.
Alright, Steve, change my schedule. I am going to Diotima.
Yes ?!

I will take a gravty adaption training course 30 minutes, 4 times a day.
Give me 19 or 20 days.
And about the case, end it quietly.
But, sir, Diotima is
Yes, sir
So, at last ..
I get to meet "him" again, huh ...
Diotima !
Eh ?

Um..., this ..
I just received an appointment for a docking permission
This vessel's passenger list .. A name , Arthur Maxwell is listed.
Arthur Maxwell ?!
No way.
Can't be.
.. Right ?
Who does the vessel belong to ?
Owner is ..
Arthur .. Maxwell .. It is going to .. depart from .. Hexitilin Luna divi...
Must be someone with the same name.
Yes, it's a gigantic company. It is possible to have someone who has the same name as their president

Isn't the president Maxwell around this age ?
Birthyear is .. 2025 ?
60s .. ?
60 ?! He looked more like 40s.
I think his age was 63 or 65 ..
He's 67
Yes ?
But that face is not a 60's ..
Hey
People like him get hormone injected every day or so.
Hormone ?
It's for anti-aging purpose.

Seriously ?
It exists, but it's really expensive.
But, he owns Hexitilin. Money wouldn't matter
So, he is really coming here ?
How come ?
Captain ?
She left

"How does it feel when you know what affection is?"
"What is it like when you love someone?"
"What are 비지 those feelings?"
For an example

When my father passed away, I was glad.
His death meant the whole Hexitilin was mine.
Well.. , asset distribution was a little complicated though.
Another example is when my right hand, Jiku, died.
I was bothered by his death.
Simple because his death would slow me down at work for a while.
When my younger sister was killed in a plane accident, all I thought was, 'Is that so?'

There was no sad feelings or anything.
Do you know why ?
No, sir
Likely because there was no love or affection.
You see
I am one of those who completely lack the concept of love and affection.
To me, families and strangers stand on the same line.
And so far I've never had any kind of love or affection toward a human.
I don't ... even know ! how to show, give, and receive love and affection.

What would those feel like ...
Diotima ...
What would be like knowing those feelings ?
Why did he ... tell me that
Did he ... expect some sort of answer from me ...

Mira !
Mira, where are you ?!
Mira !

You haven't checked in for check-up yet ?!
Mira !
I don't know !
Ack !
Eeeek !
Eek !
Go to a doctor today !
I am serious !
What are you going to do if you get space cancer and find it too late ?!

What would you do if you get it ?
But no one has gotten it yet !
I will send you back to Earth if you keep behaving like this.
Are you going to threaten me with that card ?
If you want no more threats ,
Go see a doctor today. 14 o'clock, I made an appointment.
COSMODEMIC
Is it Dr Livingston again ?
If it is, I am not gonna go. Is there a female doctor ?
Dr Lejin ?

Lejn ?
A woman ?
Anyway,
the chief doctor
will be there
today, so go
there, okay ?
14 o'clock !
Got it ?!
At 14 o'clock,
go to the medical
bay by the bridge.
Who is the
chief ?
Dr Galile.
What does
he look like ?
Handsome ?
What does he look like ?
Why would that matter ?!
Ah ,
the tall one
with orange
hair
Listen, Mira !

We, two, are the only ones in this family.
For each other, we need to be healthy and live long.
Ok.
Mom, live long.

Mom's leaving for work.
Ok.
Hey, did you watch the news yesterday ?
What news ?
About hail.
Hail ?
In memphis, they had 20cm diameter hail yesterday.
20cm ?! That's literally a rock !

Weather has been acting too weirdly lately.
I am getting worried.
We will see snow in desert soon.
... a guest is here.
Eh ..., CSC is
planning a major overhaul in docking system
This is for the safety of customers.
Ah ! Poskitt, the idiot 3rd.
The idiot 3rd ?
생긴 것 멀쩡한데
Oh, yeah, you are new, so you wouldn't know.
Seeing him in charge of electronics is ..., argh !
Uh !

His mood seems pretty bad. Look above his head.
Hmm, pretty bad.
I'd say he is in one third of his normal mood
He needs to breathe pure oxygen sometimes.
You over there !

Yes ?!
Vice captain, what is it ?
Did he hear that ?
No, nothing.
They wouldn't know .
It is safe to assume that she is there ..
MEDICAL CENTER
The interna. Medicine Department
WIDE
FOR THE BEST
YOU NEED
God ..., it dropped again.
Twice in this month

Oh.
Is that ... your lunch?
Tuna sandwitch.
It's not bad and cheap.
Eh ..
Bank interest rate ..
Want some ?
No, thanks. I ate.
You are so busy that you have no time to eat in cafeteria ?
You can say that
It's going to be like this for at least 15 days.
A doctor and a nurse have collapsed due to overwork so far
I feel cheated by CSC.

I heard additional 15 crew will join the medical team early next month.
True, if not we are all going to quit.
Damn it, I see why annual salary was so high.
We are going to fall while trying to heal people.
But salary is very high.
True ..
It is high.
Oh, among the new crew, there is Melrose.
Yeah ?
Melrose is working for CSC ?

So, where is she now ?
Huh ?
Probably in HQ
Huh ?
No, not Melrose.
The captain !
Captain Joon !
Ah -

Well .
Um...
I have an appointment at
14 o'clo...
Hey, I am back to work now.
Move. That is going to be her seat
Ah, Mira Dal, right ?
Your mother called me just a moment ago.
The one you are looking for is in there.
Don't shout like before and take her out of here quietly
Yes.
Yes.

Now, Mira sit here.
Yes.
Mira Dal ... ?
Dal
Was there a crew with that lastname ?
Argh ..

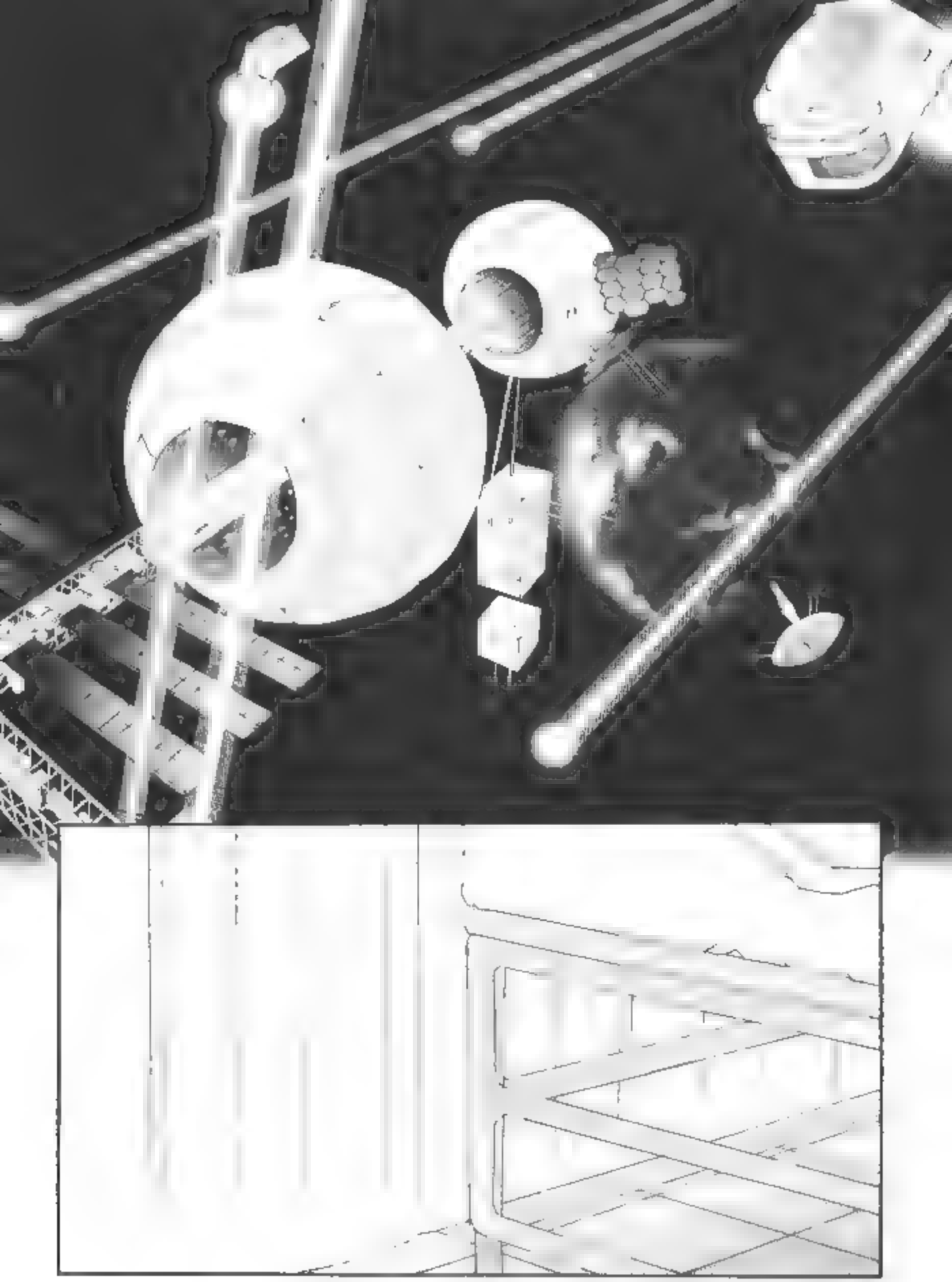
14 05 !
Captain !
Captain !
Mm...
Uh .
Captain !
Wake up !
Ah ..

She
gazed into air vacantly
for few seconds
with eyes
that contained
some sort of
faint fear.
Her gaze was

So desperate and empty ...
What
Why would she make such a face ?
How long are you going to sleep for ?!
- Ah !
CSC

It's Jion.
She smiled.
As if she came to her senses just now.
As if clouds of nightmare was cleared just now.
Please wake up
Then I realized

Heh
I am sorry, but how many hours have I slept ?
It was just a thought
It was that, if I ever start to love this woman -
I would probably never be able to become happy wrth her
Probably never

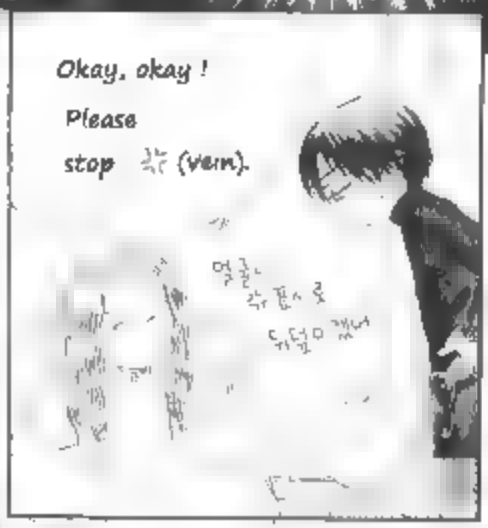


Um....., Jion
I slept too much, didn't I.
It's well over 14.
Ah ..
He's really pissed this time.

Captain..., the beds here are not for crew to sleep in during their work hours.
I believe I told you - repeatedly - to sleep on sofa in the captain's quarter if you have to.
And ! Why do you always keep your comm off ?
I always have to yell through the speakers !
Just how many times do I have to repeat this ?!
God..., he is so right.
Um..., you see.
Sofa is too bad for sleeping.
My spine will go bad soon if I keep sleeping on it.
And, if I keep comm on while sleeping, it will disturb my sleep. I want good sleeps.
This person is really ... !
You call that a reason

If you want to sleep that much, you should sleep during only lunch time !
You fill your stomach good and then go to bed right away at work ?!
Do you think being a captain gives you God's rights ?!
We get tired at work, too !
Lunch hour passed a long time ago !!!
Aren't you abusing your powers as a captain ?!

... Captain, the reason comm alerts you is that someone needs to talk to you, - captain -.
It is not trying to disturn your sleep.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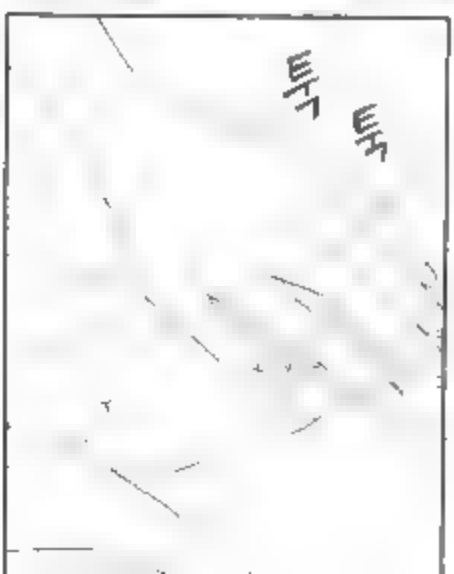
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You must be becoming overly sensitive due to overwhelming work.

Come on, have some sleep right here.
J, Jion ..
- Eh ?

척
팍
Eh ?
Um
Hey ?
Hello ?
Jion ?!
Let go of me !
성큼
성큼
A hatch to outside.
Ehnh ?!
What are you doing ?!
Ehnhhh !
Hiccc !

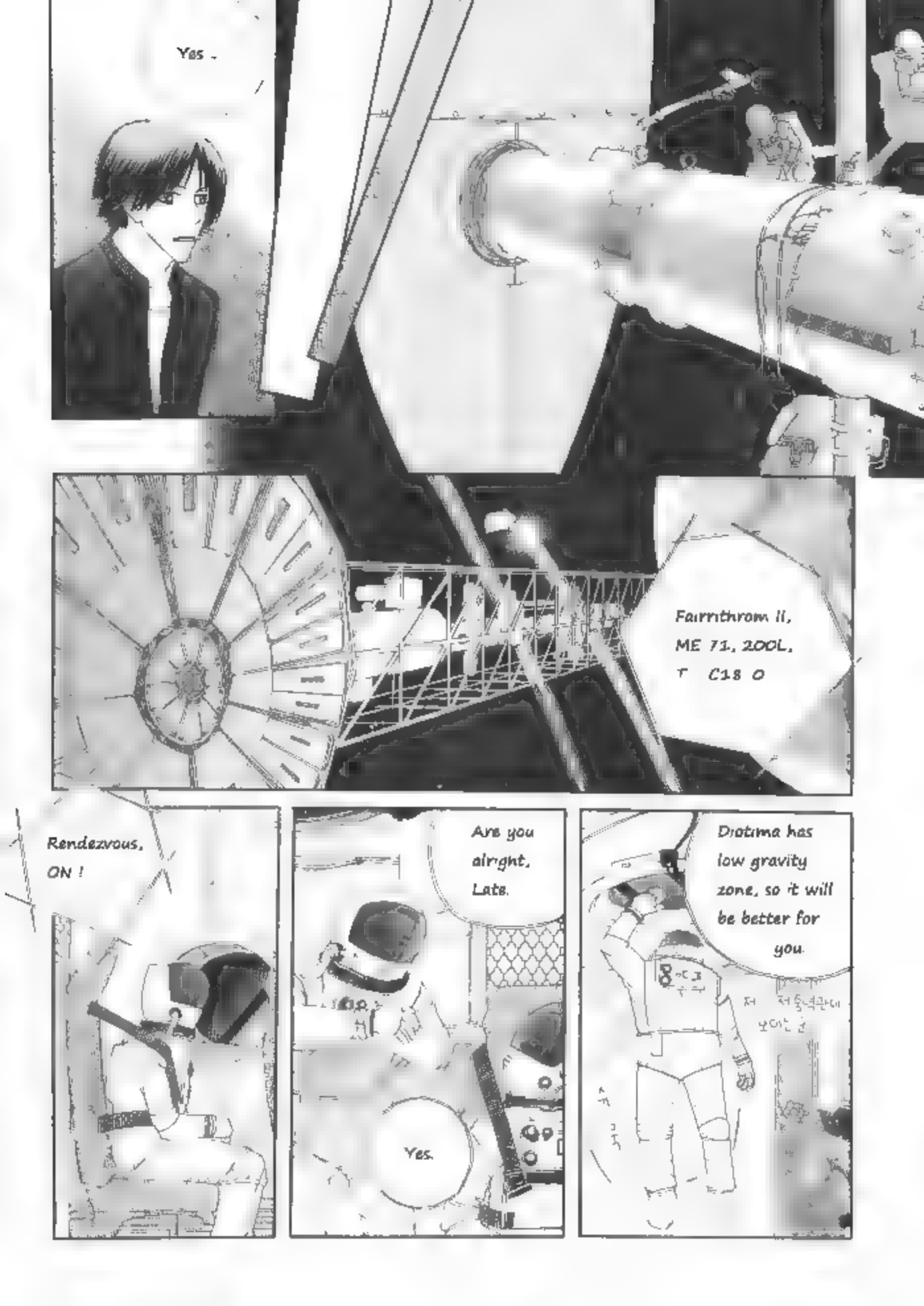
Bye, Captain.
Captain Diotima will continue to travel in space since there is no friction in space. One day, she might be pulled in by a planet's gravity.
I want to do that so much but .. I guess it is wiser not to do that.
Of course ! It'd be a crime murder !
Jion ?
It's nothing.
Director Coax has contacted us.

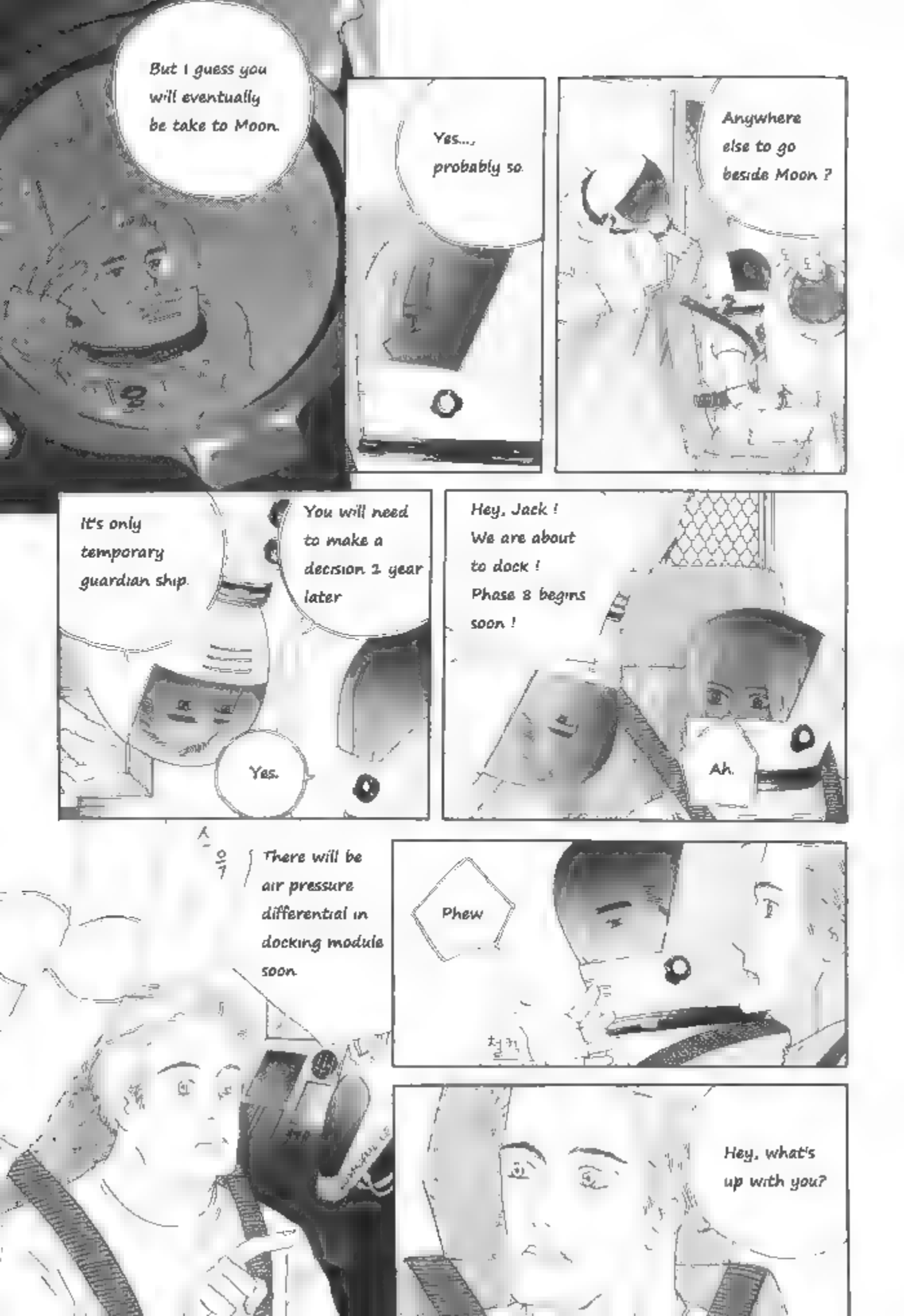
Director Coax ?
Yes.
Right, he became a director.
He invited you to his wedding on Moon on June 20th.
Wedding? His daughter's ?
No, it is his own wedding.
He'd like to know if you can attend.
20th? Today is 15th. May
It's more than a month later
Yes.
And I was invited as well.
It was unexpected.
Yeah ?
But I've never met him before
He probably thought that it wouldn't hurt to have some connection with Diotima's captain and vice captain.
You were invited because you are a vice captain.

Ah, yes
So, Jion, got any thing to do on 20th June ?
Yes ?
At Diotima
Captain and vice captain will be absent for two days.
Better make sure nothing big is going to happen on 20th.
As far as I know for now, there is nothing on 20th.
With captain ?
Very well.
You are going, right ?
Lim ..
Have you ever been to Moon ?

No, I have not.
It will be good experience for you.
Captain, have you ever been to Moon before ?
Nope.
She is lying.

She has been to Moon before !
But ! Why am I feeling so sure about that ?
Most of all
She ., captain Joon
Would not lie ..
She would never ~
Let's go, Jion.


Yes .
Fairnithrom II,
ME 71, 200L,
T C18 0
Rendezvous,
ON !
Are you
alright,
Lats.
Yes.
Diotima has
low gravity
zone, so it will
be better for
you.


But I guess you will eventually be take to Moon.
Yes..., probably so.
Anywhere else to go beside Moon ?
It's only temporary guardian ship.
You will need to make a decision 2 year later
Yes.
Hey, Jack ! We are about to dock ! Phase 8 begins soon !
Ah.
There will be air pressure differential in docking module soon.
Phew
Hey, what's up with you?

It's about him.
Late ?
He's a good kid.
Yes, he is.
I wish I could apply for his guardianship.
Hey, Jack !
I know
Only if he could be taken to Earth ...
What..., you are going to kidnap him to Earth as well ?
Han !
You must give affection to Moon humans.
Because you will have to leave them one day.

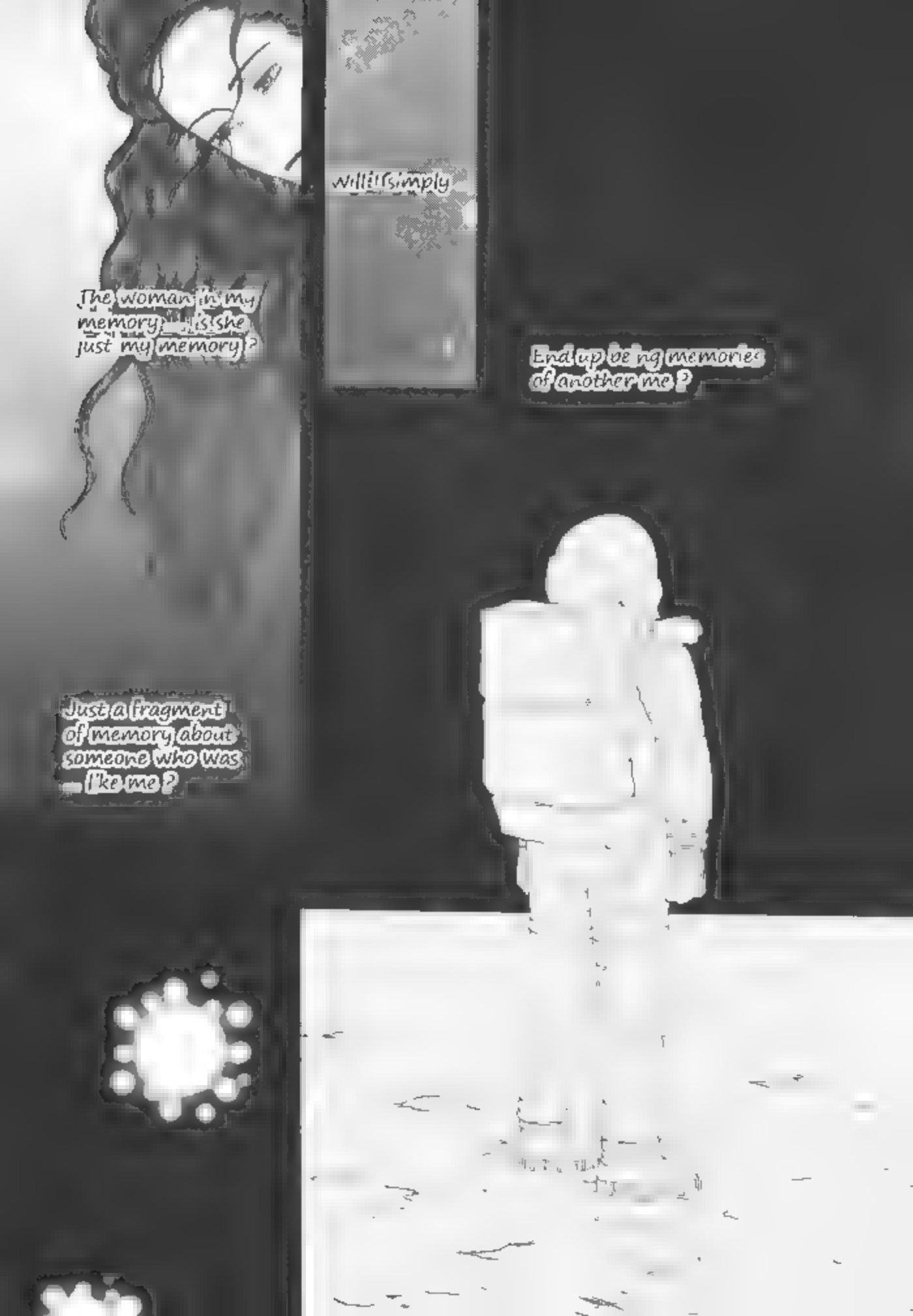
Yes, he is here.
Admin.
It's been two months. How have you been doing ?
Do you like the room ?
Yes.
Is your work done for today ?
Yes.

Hmm.
Too bad that we can't share the same room.
I will try to visit you often.
Let's have lunch together when I work in low gravity area.
Oh, and I applied you for education.
A teacher will visit you tomorrow noon.
You will have a simple test and an interview to see your education level

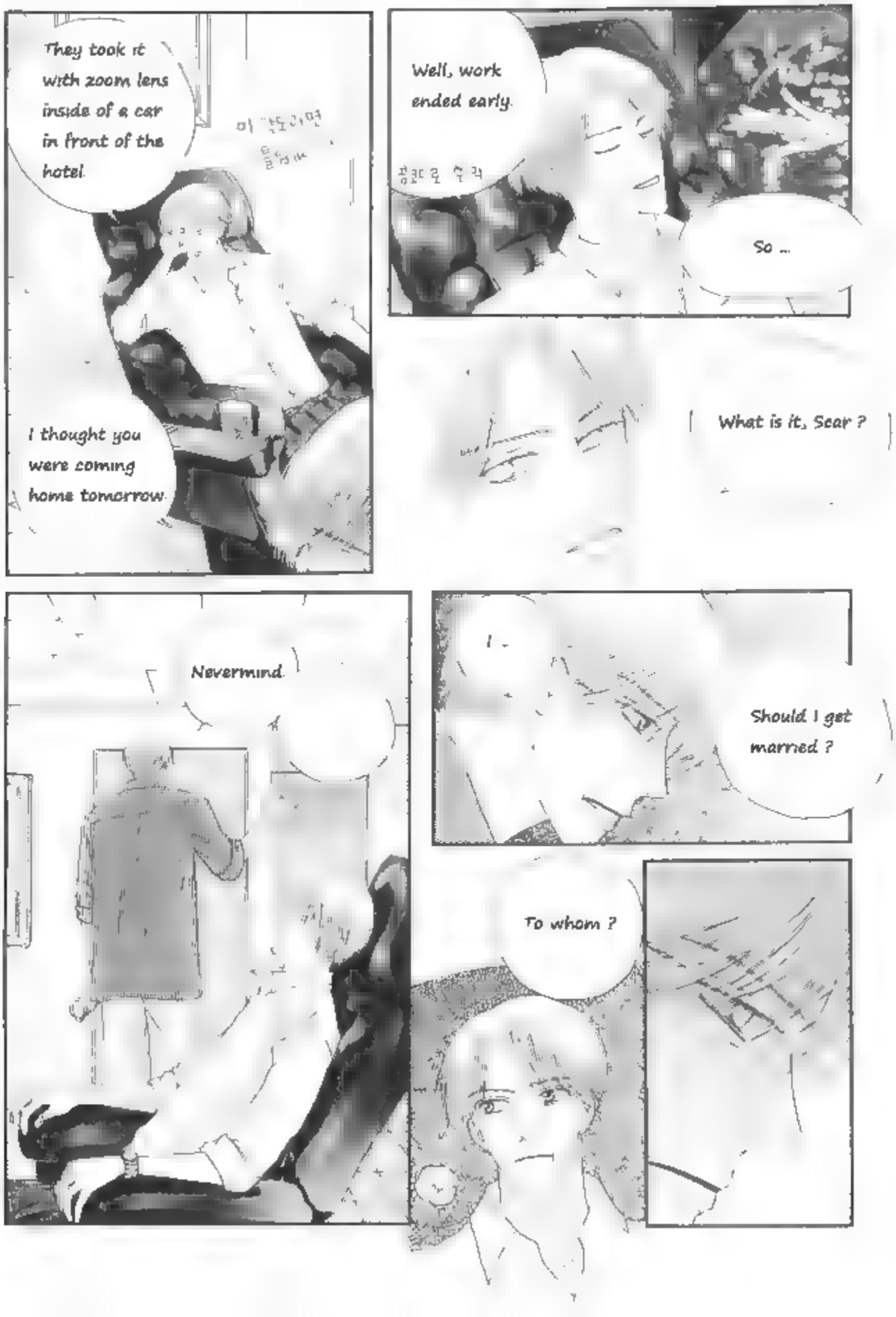
There are 10 children of your ages in Diotima.
Since lessons will be held by networking, location won't matter
Hmm, and ..
Admin !
Hm ?
Why are you being nice to me ?
This and about the guardianship ..
Isn't this top class hotel room ?
Isn't it expensive to rent ?

Are you ... paying this from your wage ?
I can live in the public care center
Don't you worry about it.
Laterasa.
If you ask me why... I don't know why ...
For no reason... is all I can say.
Your grandfather was the only one who saw me as what I was.

He saw me when I wandering on the dark side of Moon ...
Who am I ...
What am I ...
Pure darkness ...
Endless darkness ...
Am I me ?
Or am I Diotima
Who am I really ?


will it's simply
The woman in my memory... is she just my memory?
End up being memories of another me?
Just a fragment of memory about someone who was like me?

Louis.
Scar !
You weren't sleeping.
Who's the woman ?
She is just as the magazine says.
Every media is going berserk with this.


They took it with zoom lens inside of a car in front of the hotel.
I thought you were coming home tomorrow.
Well, work ended early.
So ...
What is it, Scar ?
Nevermind.
I ...
Should I get married ?
To whom ?

I wonder what will happen if I propose to her
Her ?
Who ...
Scar !
Don't tell me !
Are you serious ?!
Bro, I know how much you liked him, but this is ...
This is not funny

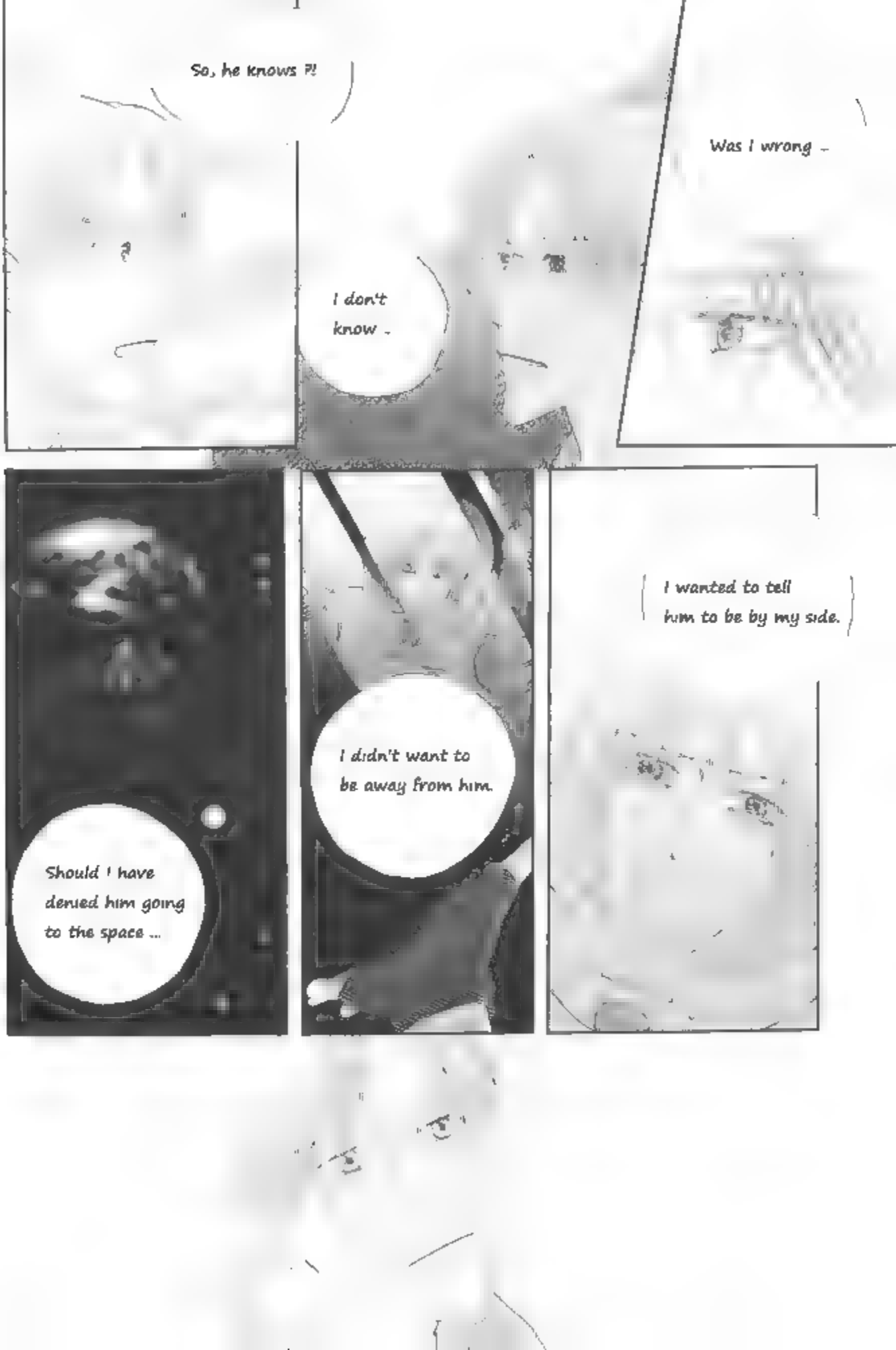
Do you think she will refuse ?
That is not the issue !
If that's not, what then ?
She is . !
She was . !

I don't know ..
I waited 20 years to meet him again ...
I lived on just for that !
And finally I met him in another form.
But it seems the distance is becoming further

She is not Diotima you used to know
Arthur Maxwell is going to visit Diotima on 20th.
!
A docking appointment was made unofficially.
It seems his name was on passenger list I received the news from Diotima

Because of Joon ?

Who knows ... But, yes, it is likely so.

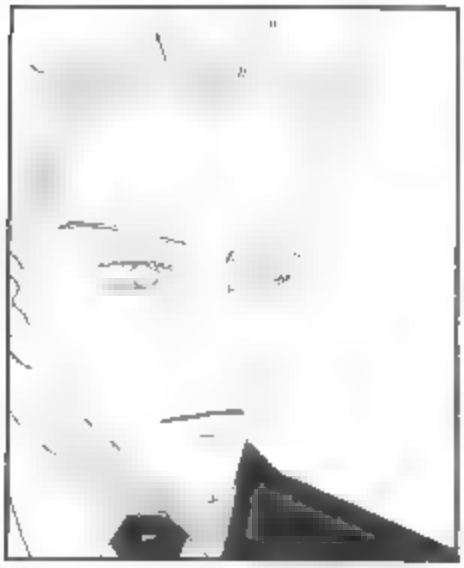

So, he knows ?!
I don't know -
Was I wrong -
I wanted to tell him to be by my side.
I didn't want to be away from him.
Should I have denied him going to the space ...

And that why we were completely unrelated.

I wanted to be his family.

#47 Truss, docking of two vessels at once requested.
#52 Truss, overloaded !

That's him !
Aren't you supposed to be working ?
Came to see him.
This is mt first time seeing him in real He's tall.



Hello, I am the vice captain.
Your hotel room is a floor below here. Let me guide you there.

I hope you will have a pleasant experience.
Admin ?

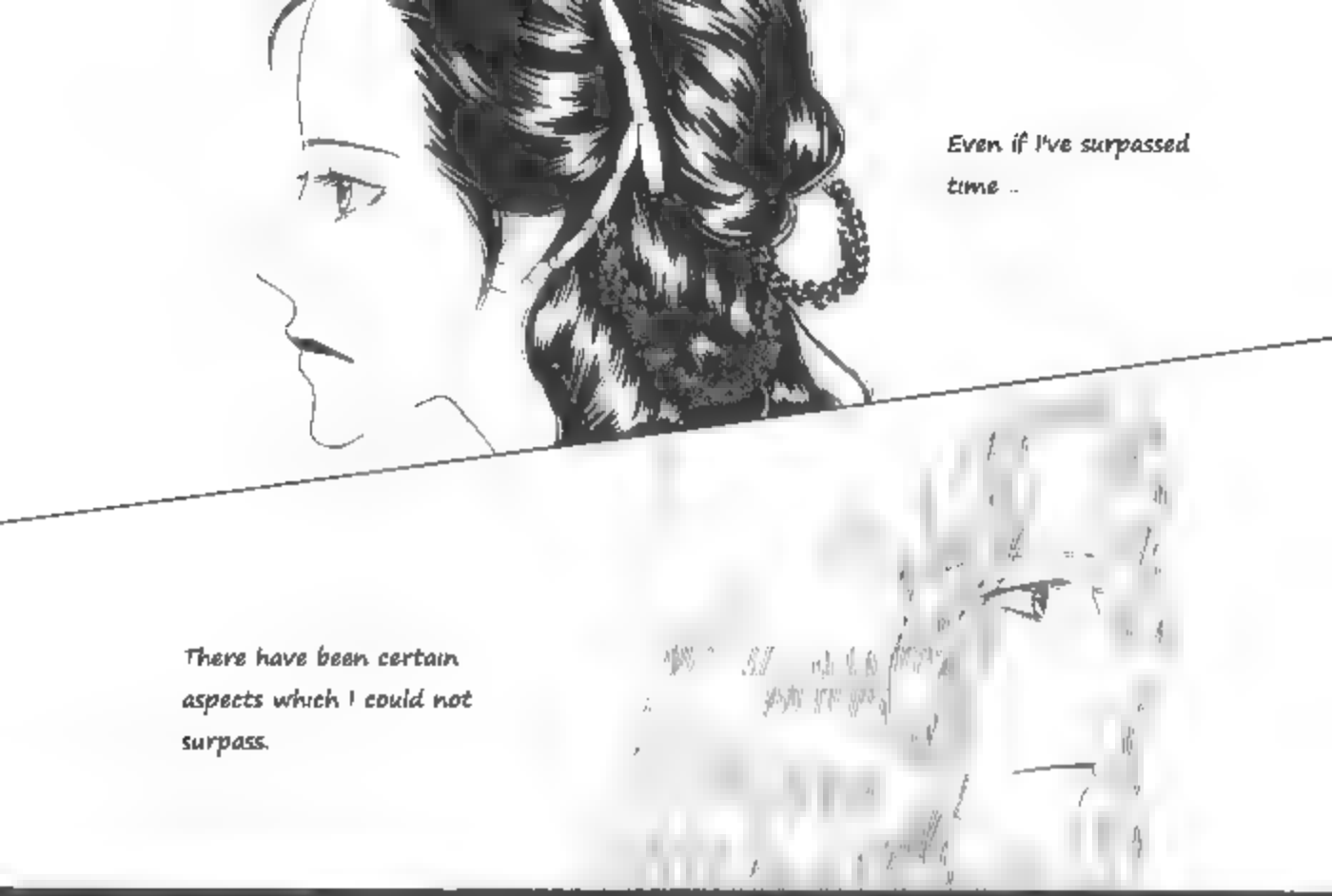
Pardon?
Admin... , Captain Where is captain Namer Joon ?

The captain is currently patrolling the area.
Patrolling?
Eh..., I guess the captain should have been here ..
Yes, so I've come here on her behalf
Avoiding me ?
Can't be ...
So, when will she done with this "patrolling" ?
Yes? Have you made an appointment with her ?
No.
Actually, I didn't ..
I thought she'd come here, so ...
Shall I call her ?
Oh, will you ?

Tell her that I'd like to see her in person.
Tell her that it is the only reason I've come here.
I will be in my room until then.

He has come.

A man who is beyond my ability to fully understand.


Even if I've surpassed time ..
There have been certain aspects which I could not surpass.

Mira
Yeah ?
When is the result coming ?
Today evening.
Mira
You skipped class, didn't you, two days ago.
I was told that you skip science classes.
The teacher asked me if you had such a behavior on Earth
I skipped only four times...

But it's such a borring subject
What are you saying in such a high tech era ?!
But it is not fun !
I don't need it
I am going to be a space poet
Space poet ?
What's that ?
Mom, time's up
Ah !
I am leaving for work !
Attend the class today !
후다닥

It's not fun !
Class, huh
Oh, they opened a new path that leads to the main hall.
The president of Hexitilin is really here.
With only two bodyguards, I hear
They built everything quite well with limited space ...
It's becoming a maze literally

Ah, mister vice captain.
This is new
He doesn't seem pissed today.
CSC
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CSC

He really said that?
... Yes,
are you going
there now ?
I suppose so.
I am done
anyway
Well ..
Mm ?
Ah.. ,
nothing !

I wanted to ask What is your relationship with him ?
But it's too personal to ask ... but it does seem like he came to see her .
This station requires too much work.
Like those who sleep during work ?
Those who want to live with their work, this place will be heaven.
Ahah
Sorry
I am really sorry, Jion.

It will not happen again.
If you say so ...
Oops..., I went too far ..
To be honest, it's pretty hard to keep working in both low and normal gravity area.
How do you do though ?
Actually , I also have
an issue of going slightly numb in low...
I cannot hear them. Damn it, speak up !
Besides ,

I really had a hard time when coming here !

Happy to meet someone who shares the same issue.

On Earth, each gravity training lasted 20 seconds only.

So, I figured I could hang on.

But when I actually got here .

Wasn't fun at all, huh.

Yes, it was nightmare !

I am never going to take any shuttles !

How are you going to return to Earth ?

I wasn't that bad

When I was training

우웩!

우웩!
우웩!
Diotima !
Are you alright ?!
Sigh
Not . at all .
How am I going to continue this like this ?
It's because this is your first time. You will get better
It is worse that I thought Are you two alright ?
Yes..., a long time ago, even making a low gravity zone on Earth was hard.
Entering space is ...
Like letting your body float in space with little gravity.

Yes, it's amazing how they managed in old times.
Yes.
Compared to that .., Diotima is the Heaven.
Because gravity exists here.
Gravity that is comfortable to us
Although limited, it exists for us.
Gravity .. pulls us down to the ground.
Even our cells are being pulled down.
Maybe, that's why they love Earth.

On Earth
Up and down are granted as if it's nothing and easy to be done.
Yes..., and Earth makes us think that it is easy to duplicate that
True.
But ... you do not need to thank Earth for that.
Because it is Earth's nature.

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CSC

Oh ?
What's this strange mood between them ?
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Mom said they were always fighting when they were together .
They talked about gravity something ...

Damn, I thought I might watch something fun ...
You
Ah, you !
Jion, you know her as well ?
Eh? You mean you know her ?
Hello ~, Mira ~ You know me, right ?
What was she doing here? Weird kid
I met your mother this morning.
Mother ?

Yes.
Lindgren of the COSMO police.
Eh ?!
She has a child of such an age ?!
I thought she was single !

Shouldn't you be in a class ?
I have 30 minutes left.

I've heard her voice before, once.
So, that's your voice.
I wanted to hear your voice once.

You see
Would you sit here ?

In today's class,
There is going to be a new student.
Do I need to sit here, too ?

He is the same age as you. He has + no friends. I think he may be feeling lonely.
So, I would like you to be his friend. If you are willing, of course.
What ?!
Be his friend ?!
We are 15 years old !
If he needs friends, can't he make some?
Can't he do that on his own ?!

I can already see what kind of dumb guy he is !
If he needs friends, he should pay a visit to the game center on 2nd floor. Guys are living there literally.

Well, you see ...
He was born on Moon, so he cannot come here ...
!
Signature verified, logging in.

Moon humans ,
yes, mom told me
about them before once.
"Hey, I saw a
moon human
today!"
"How do
they look
like?"
"Well, he
looked pretty
much the
same as the
rest of us."
"He was the same
age as you
He was a quiet
and pretty kid."
So, that's
him ?
Pretty and
quiet ?
Well,
since I was asked nicely,
I could pay some
attention to him
Hello, everyone.
Those who wish
to take on the
trip to space.
Please submit
application
by tomorrow.
What, he isn't
here,? I thought
he's gonna
show up today ?
Look at hm.
His finger is up
in his nose !
(Hey, at
least turn
the camera
away while
you do!)
Before we begin,
I'd like to introduce
you a new friend.

I am
Laterasa.
I am from Moon
and ... nice to
meet you
Um..., is
that it ?
Yes, but you
need to adjust
your camera.
it's getting
noise.

Yes, it is going on an auction by TAGGA.
Recently there has been ..
Don't worry. That's why I put him in charge
Sir, she is here.
Should I let her in now ?
Ah ..
Yes.
This may get long, so wander around outside.
He came all the way here to see her ..
Is this going to become a scandal ?

Ma'am.
He is inside.

Please enter

" Diotima "

"Do tell me if you have anything that you'd ask from me."
"I would like to see the other side of Moon." 프로니아

How I value people is
By how much work they can do and bring results to me within their given time.
Probably -
I've been like so ever since my birth

I wonder why
I wonder why I don't have it
Do you want to feel it ?
No.

I feel that it is weird. That is all.
I haven't felt the need to be able to feel love.
I have not known it so far and I will never be able to feel it.

It's just that ..
Being different puts in difficult positions sometimes.
For others, it can be the reason for everything.
But for me, its value is nothing, and I can't even understand it
Especially -
Those who suffer from love.
Is that so...
I don't get them at all.
Though I have had my share of people who I found comfortable.
Yes..., those who make you feel ease and comfortable.
So, I once thought that those were what "love" was.

But it turned out that what I thought "love" was fairly different from what others considered "love"

I have never felt sadness when I lost those whom I thought I loved.

I simply felt

A little loss.

It appeared that I did not love them as people.

In other words,

I did not love them as what they were.

I simply loved their abilities and actions.

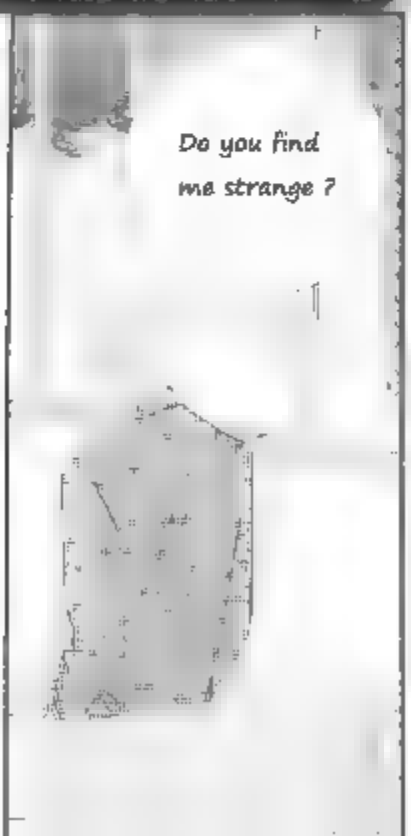
It seems people in general do not distinguish these.
Or perhaps ... they cannot
To me though a person and his abilities are two completely different aspects to consider
Even so ..., I don't get you
I cannot seem to be able to sense that ...
What kind of man you are, what you can,
And what I can get out of you.

It will be alright even if I am unable to get anything from you.
Take what you want from me.
I will help you.
I will sponsor you.
Sir !

No matter how useful I think you are
I am getting an order that I must not deny you.
Those orders ... they come directly from right here.
I can't even ask "why" in such
I don't like children.
To be honest, I hate them.
They are noisy and bothersome.

But despite of that, my head tells me -
If I don't see kids' smiles from streets,
The society will fall apart.
And it gives me orders.
The only reason I donate so much money to the society which TAGGA is having a problem with -
is simply because of this.

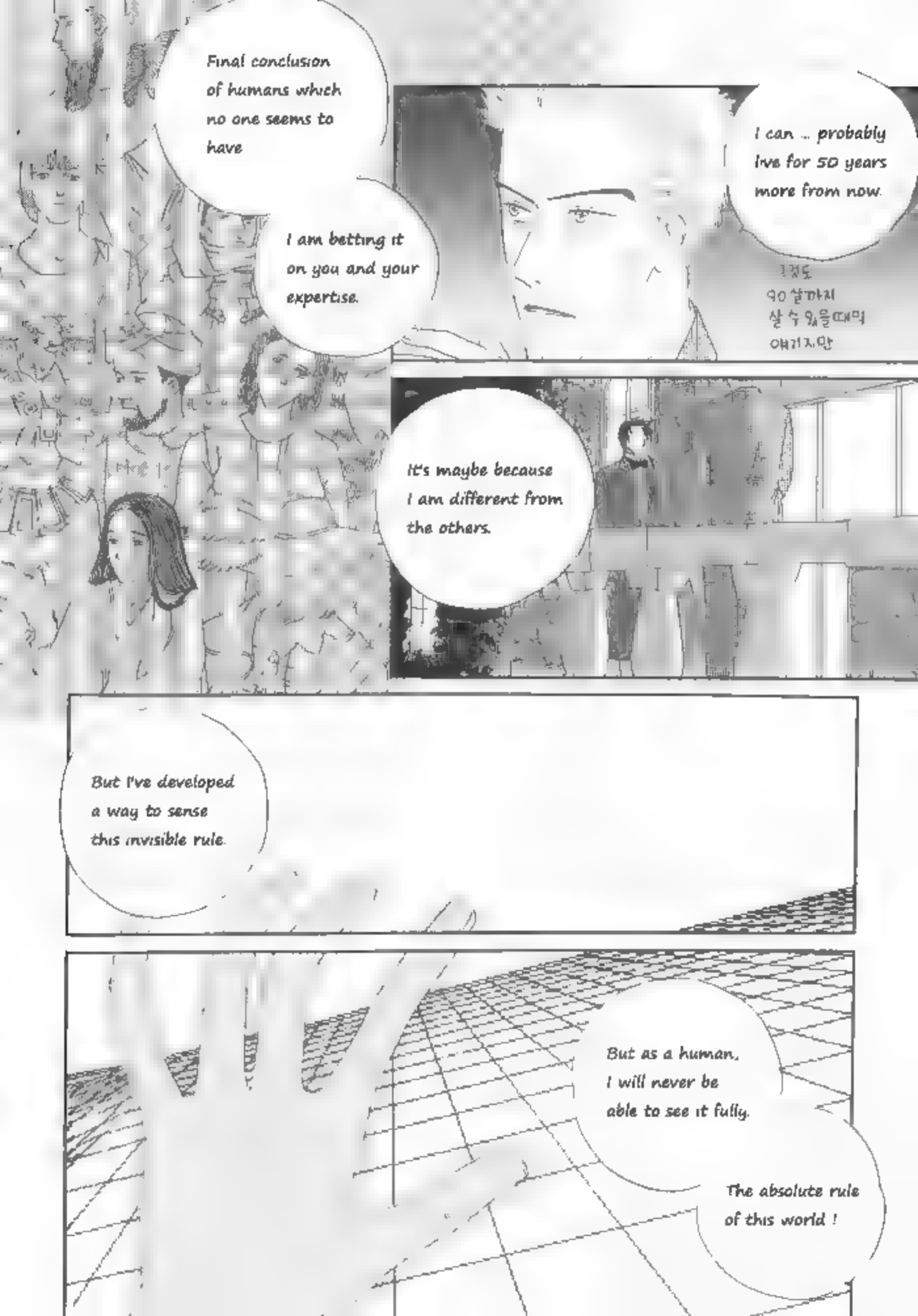
I am never motivated by this "love"
What moves me is the invisible rule of this world.


Do you find me strange ?

Yes.
I do find you strange.

I do find myself strange ...
Why I am telling you all this.

That is ..
Probably because you feel lonely.
Or perhaps you want to move forward.
Yes, I am betting something on you


Final conclusion of humans which no one seems to have
I am betting it on you and your expertise.
I can .. probably live for 50 years more from now.
It's maybe because I am different from the others.
But I've developed a way to sense this invisible rule.
But as a human, I will never be able to see it fully.
The absolute rule of this world !

How else should I put this.
No, no .. That's not it
Well ..
The big rule that moves this world ?
The world's system ?
Yes .. That's it
The world's system ..
Yes, something like that.
A rule that applies to everything
Like an invisible map

Something that puts everything in this universe together !
Something you can't prove.
Something you will have really no idea of forever
Not just someone who listens.
Still I wanted to have a talk about this with someone.
But someone who could understand even a little bit

And at last I met one.
Nice to meet you, Diotima
It has been 27 years since then.
It's a long time if one calls it. It's a short time if one calls so.

Were you lonely ?
Was that why you needed me ?
But I ..
Ahah
Captain Joon

Nice to meet you.
I am Arthur Maxwell.

Erina ?!
Jeff ?!
Can I go down ?
Yeah, sure.

What are you doing here ?
탁
That's my line !
When did you come here ?
When this station opened.
Oh, man
I bet Ritsu convinced you this, eh.
Is Mira on Earth ?
Um...,
Ritsu and I are separated.

Eh ..
We divorced a year ago.
So, I am Erina Lindgren.
How
You had an affair, didn't you !
Why do you think it was ME who had an affair ?
Because it would be hard for any men with right mind to have an affair when they have you ...

I thought you two were getting along well ..
It's alright
By the way, Jeff, since when did you start delivering nuclear wastes ?
N, no !
I ..
It's not good for you health
I work here now, starting today.
Really ?
I can't believe you are working here as well. Boy, the world can be so small
하하
So, you are employed by CSC
I was worried when you suddenly quit COSMO police.
Hana ,
I had ... my reasons.

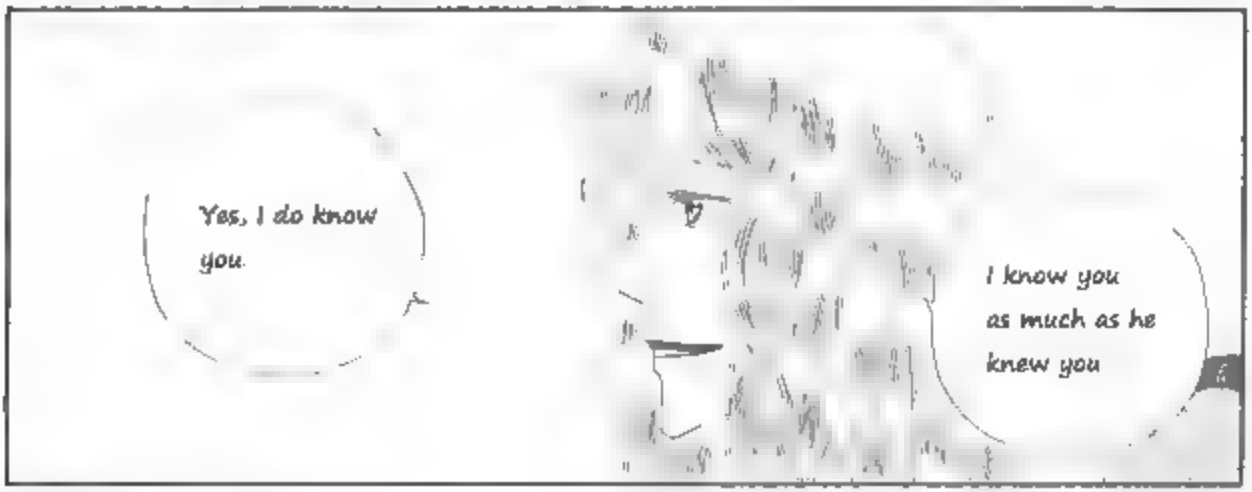
Do you even work in this zone ?
This is class S zone.
Don't you get those low gravity illness ?
Normall, we go only as far as class M zone.
But it's an emergency today.
Gravity of Moon is 1 M.
Low gravity class M zone is 1 M
Class S zone is 1/4 M.
Emergency ?
I spot lots of police.
We are here to find terrorists.
Terrorists ?!
Did they ... plant a bomb or something?
I just got here !
It's not that ..
They escaped from Moon central tower earlier this morning They haven't been caught or seen ever since.
They may be trying to enter Earth.
So, we must inspect every passengers.

Don't tell me I am going to be a victom of bombing on my first day?
I am still young.
Are you really an ex police ?
I was a tech.
I think it will be alright.
Because this is not some overly done action movie.
The author won't do it.
Still ..
Still..., is't this overdoing if you think it's nothing?
Well.
Arthur Maxwell is here.
So..., you know.
Arthur Maxw..
The president of Hexitilin ?!
Why would he come here ? This is not even CSC HQ.
Who knows. Anyway, after work, let's have dinner together
Sure, where is Mira now ?

She's here with me. She should be at her class now.
Yeah ?
Have a seat
Vice captain was there to greet me.
Yes, I was on a patrol ..

I figured you wanted to avoid me.
I have to do my job, sir.
They say I am lazy enough already ..
Hmm , good.
This is the first time we've met, yes ?
Yes..., this is the first time we've met, sir

... May I act like I know you though ?
... You do know me, right ?


Yes, I do know you.
I know you as much as he knew you

Is that so
Good.

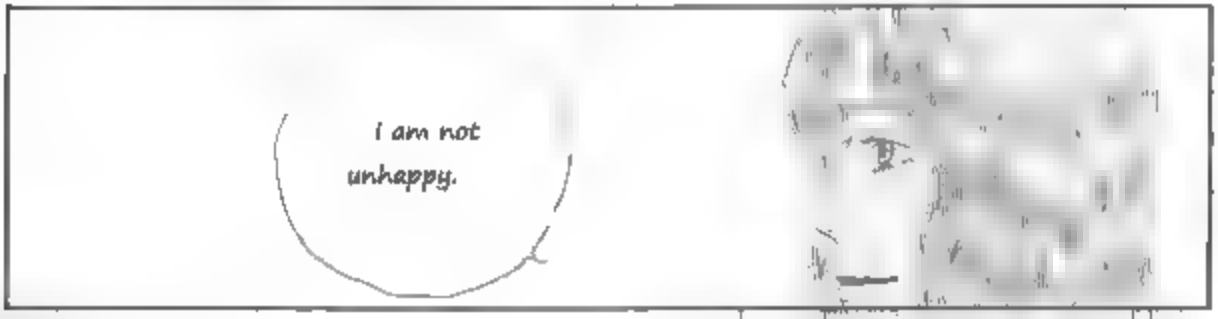
How did you find me ?

The twin has been looking at you for past 6 years.

They are really simple men
They do what attracts others' attention so easily
Well, I came here to see you. I guess I am on the same level as them
I bet Scar is having sweats
He really followed you
And really disliked me.
Still, presenting you with such a station
But that's what makes him unique, I suppose
I didn't think you'd return to space after the incident
I did not, either

I was quite ... shocked when it happened.
Do you enjoy working here ?
Yes.

Are you happy ?


I am not unhappy.

Ahah, I see

Leaving ?
Yes, see you tomorrow, sir
Ah
The chief doctor was looking for you.
What?
My comm has been on.
Why are there so many polices in sector 2 ?
Yeah ?
I feel too uneasy with so many !
Oh?
guilty ?
Will they fee
uneasy if I tell
is not this
so I don't have t
tell them, do I ?

But if I tell them nothing, they will still be worried.
Hmm
Decisions ..
Hey, this is emergency !
They found a bomb in sector 2 class M zone !
A bomb ?!
A bomb ? Why ?!
That's ..
Terrorists who escaped from Moon ....
Terrorists ?!
COSMO police has called for a bomb disposal team.
And then? What happened ?

Did they disable the bomb ?
Well ...
Is it going to blow while we are talking like this ?!
They are working on it right now
They said the bomb's circuit is very basic. They told us not to worry.
Well, that's good news .
Let's go back, Shaosing.
CSC
Volume 2 / end
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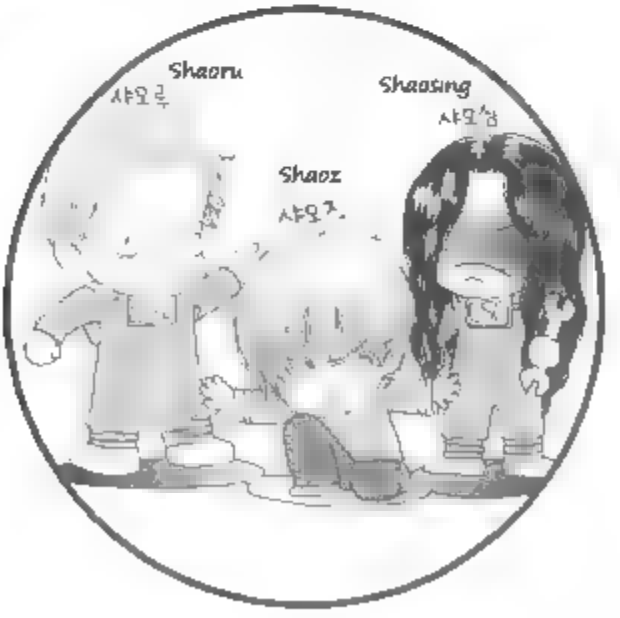


Diotima's uniform

디오티마의 제복

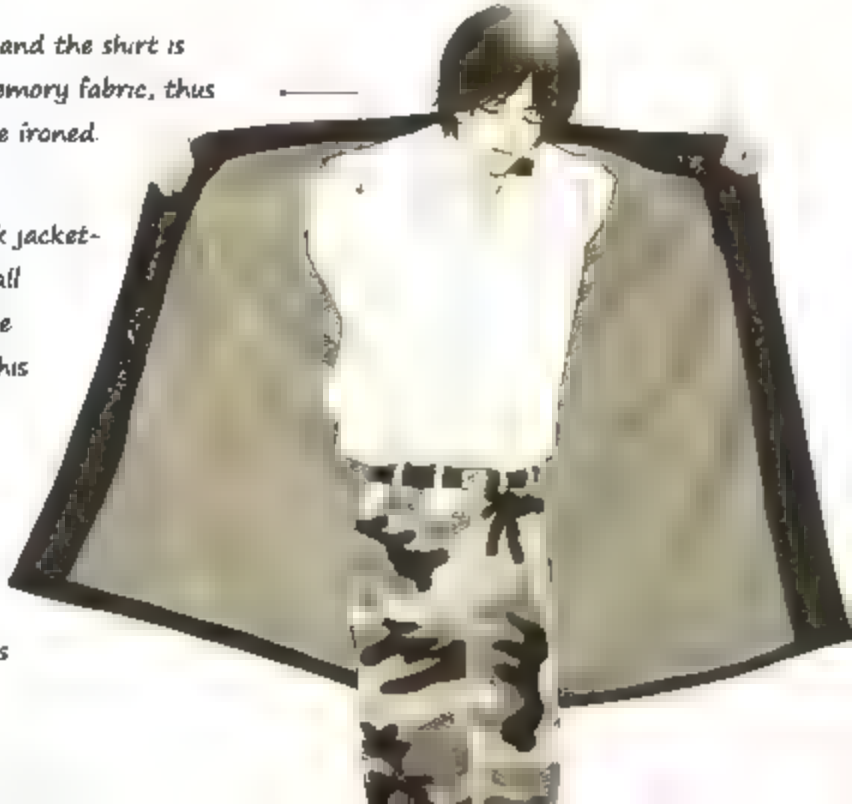
Captain Joon's uniform is the standard uniform all across Diotima. This uniform is used for both genders and all hair styles are allowed.

This shirt is worn when physical labor is required in the station. However, some wear it as a casual shirt.

This black jacket like shirt is standard uniform for labors. It is amazingly light and excels at heat insulation. However, due to its gloomy color, when worn by a group, it makes them somewhat gloomy.

The jacket is cotton, and the shirt is made from Shape memory fabric, thus it does not need to be ironed.

Jion personally favors the black jacket-like labor shirts over this formall uniform, but since he is the vice captain, he is forced to wear this formal uniform most of time.



Due to their military style pants, some have questioned CSC regarding establishment of space military force. However, the pants were mainly Scar's taste.

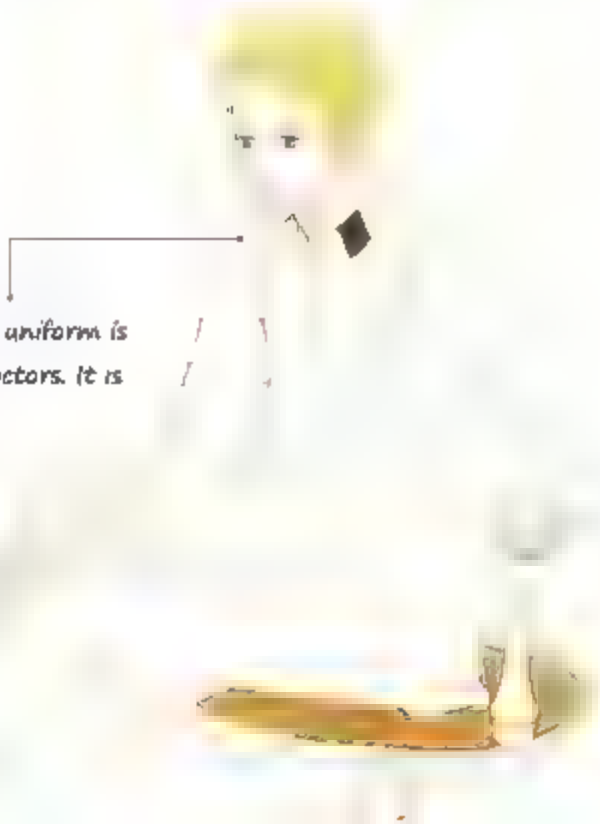
This uniform worn by Paul Holgan is a uniform used in low gravity area. However, this uniform is also seen in other area as well, so it seems it is not restricted.

This uniform worn by Dr Leyin is for doctors in low-gravity area. No one really favors this uniform because it makes them look cheap.

This uniform's shoes aren't that better, either. In fact, No one really wears it

It would appear that CSC lacks a decent design team.
It was even pointed out by Maxwell (Sally's France) that CSC air helmet looked like an octopus head.

This suit worn by Sally Kudrow has been specially designed so that it would not have the smells of medicines. There is only one color available to this, light sky-blue.
This suit comes in two styles : pajama, and a shirt + pants style.

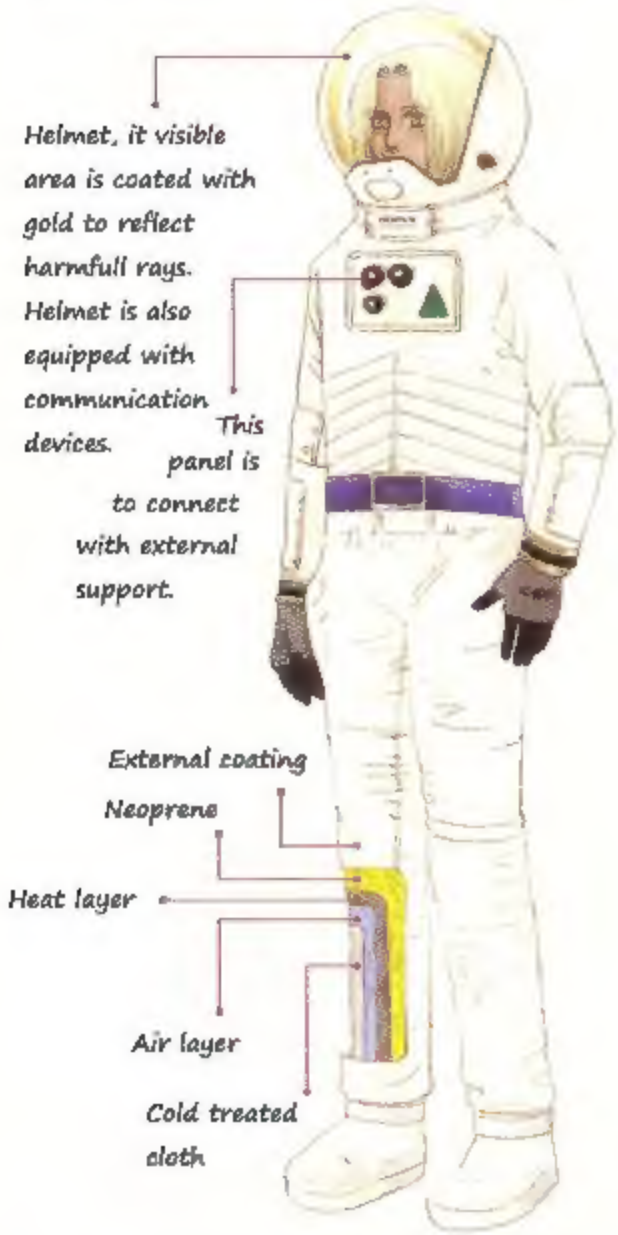


Myu's uniform is for doctors. It is white.

A white coat may also be worn.

우주복에 관하여 About spacesuit.

There are roughly 2.200 parts in a spacesuit. If one enters space without a spacesuit, one will die instantly due to various factors including loss of pressure. One's lung will explode as air expands rapidly due to loss of pressure.
Spacesuits are capable of adjusting its temperature as well as keeping it, and is made of Nylon which is coated with Polyurethane.


Helmet, it visible area is coated with gold to reflect harmfull rays. Helmet is also equipped with communication devices.
This panel is to connect with external support.
External coating
Neoprene
Heat layer
Air layer
Cold treated cloth

What Laterasa is wearing is a pressure suit deisnged for internal usage.
However, it can be used for external activities for a short time.
The picture above is missing its gloves.
American EX-905 model.

This is REDRACOON's spacesuit model, ARL-013. It is of European design and has a zipper under neck on chest.
It is very light.
Indoor gloves but it is designed to withstand pressure. Therefors, during docking, some do not wear proper gloves and only wears this.
That is a very, very, dangerous action !

What Mira is wearing is a worker's suit designed for internal usage in space.
For a short time, it can act as a pressure suit as long as it is used internally.

External spacesuits have not changed much in appearance since 20th century. However, due to advancement in technologies, primary life support system has become much lighter and volume of suits became much thinner.
Generally, the suits can be worn alone within 10 minutes. Or 15 to 20 minutes if one wishes to equip optional stuff.

Hexitilin's newest spacesuit, EX-1074, weights 24.5 Kg. It can support a person up to 48 hours in space or 360 hours in a space vessel.

What Alex is wearing is a spacesuit designed for outside (space). It has 14 layers which successfully blocks any harmful rays from space. It is also often used internally. Life support system can be replaced for a lighter version to reduce weight when used internally.

Gloves for external usage. It looks just as restrictuve as 20th century's but it is now much easier to equip.

Equipments in sapce :
Used when one explores surface of Moon and the like. Life support system also has thrusters which helps one to maneuver better in sapce.

Namer Joon (26)
"A beautiful woman with a good first impression" is what people generally say about her.
A good example of "fast success in career".

Jion (25) *Unable to trasnalte his last name ! *
Vice captain, he is being called "Captain Mania" by others. He is currently taking PHD.

Ed Rim (26)
A chief of management. She may look small and youngest, but she is a mother of a 2 year-old baby.

Tomoshi Stevens (24)
A bridge crew.
His fore hair hides his eyes. He is the tallest but walks like an old man.

Toroshi Parker (28)
A bridge crew, she used to be a voice actor for 3 years before applying for Diotima. For that, her voice is nice and loud. She says she studied like hell to apply for Diotima.

Robert Cox (26)
Always a whiner and acts a little like an otaku.
He is a big fan of simulation film and even has a fully features system in his room.

Jan Marcius (23)
A bridge crew. After graduating university, he joined CSC. He claims that he was assigned to Diotima without submitting an application.

Ginger O'Neill (24)
Her hobby is Baduk(Gogame) Because only few can play Baduk on Diotima, she plays the game on Net. Her second interest is diet.

This is the crew list for the bridge.

Bridge crew always sit in their chairs on the bridge and do their thing related to docking.

Those who assist in docking physically are technicians. What bridge crew do is accept calls and assign technicians as well as watching over docking.

Diotima, the space station, is on 24 hours a day. There are three shifts.

Pity them all you want.
And cheer up all you want.

Mark Vandoren (28)
A chief of technology. His wage is outclassed only by the captain. He is also known to be one of the busiest people on Diotma.

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There is one more crew who has not appeared just yet.
When he will appear ..., even the author does not know.